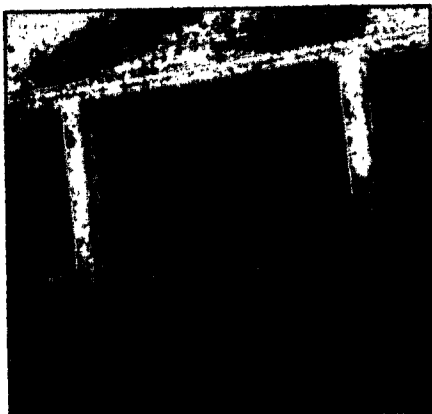


## Rocks shock Chargers

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### St. Patrick's Day Parade Saturday

The Waveland Civic Association's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade is scheduled for this Saturday, March 9, beginning at 2 p.m. Parade line-up begins at 1 p.m. by the ball park at Waveland Ave. and Central.

### MS Nat'l Guard 50-year reunion

The Mississippi Air National Guard Company C, 875th Engineer Aviation Battalion, is planning a 50-year reunion in Bay St. Louis on May 10. Reunion organizer Bobby Boudin is looking for names and addresses, as well as donations to pay for the event. Call 467-7413, or write Bobby Boudin, 2032 Boudin Circle, Bay St. Louis 39520.

### Knights to host OLG blood drive

The Knights of Columbus Council 1522 will sponsor a blood drive at Our Lady of the Gulf Community Center on Sunday, March 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Donors must have identification.

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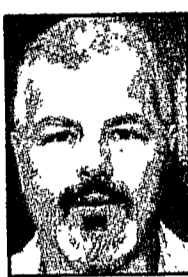
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## Domestic violence rate concerns judges



"Some are from poor families, others from the middle class and some involve the upper class of society. It (domestic violence) knows no boundaries."

— Justice Court Judge Ricky Adam

BY ED LEPOMA  
Staff Writer

Both Justice Court judges are concerned about the escalating rate of domestic violence cases in Hancock County.

Justice Court East Judge Ricky Adam talked at length this week about the problem.

"Both (Justice Court West Judge Tommy Carver and I)

are concerned," said Adam. "It troubles both of us greatly."

Adam was speaking in the aftermath of a report published earlier in the Echo in which the sheriff's department reported its deputies investigated 29 cases of domestic violence in the month of January.

Adam said Carver called him later to report the

Sheriff's Department investigated 20 cases of domestic violence recorded for the 28 days in February.

Adam, who took the bench December 1, said the caseload in the two courts usually includes 10 to 15 cases of domestic violence in each court

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## Focus on Black History

Space Center  
program heralds  
proud culture,  
achievements

BY BENNIE  
SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

Stennis Space Center Association for Cultural Awareness presented Bringing Black History Into Focus on Thursday at their 23rd Annual Black History Program held at Stennisphere Auditorium. Biloxi Councilman Eric E. Dickey acted as Master of Ceremonies. Mary Fields sang the National Anthem.

The entertainment began with several gospel songs performed by the SSC Ensemble, made up of Stennis employees and accompanied on piano by Rev. Shawn Smith.

Prize winning poet Sylvia Atlow Brookter of Slidell followed, performing a selection of poems from both published and unpublished work.

Subject matter varied from serious to humorous, with a comment on slavery; a memory of having to ride in the back of the bus; a tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.; a passionate look at black men; and a more whimsical look at black women.



Echo staff photo by Bennie Shallbetter

The Kumbuka Drum and Dance Collective wound up the days entertainment with a lively performance Thursday at the Stennis Space Center Association's 23rd annual Black History Program.

Brookter is published in *Poetic Voices of America*, *Treasured Poems of America*, the *Live Poets Society* and her self-published book, *Smiles From Inside Out*. In 1999, she was awarded a contract from Watermark Press.

Brookter said that she attributes her success and inspiration to Marian V.

Lee and God, who she feels uses her poetry to touch hearts of people from all walks of life.

Guest speaker Bishop Vance L. Woods, founder of Word of Power Ministries in Gulfport, presented an inspirational speech, led off by a song performed by his wife, soloist Brenda J. Woods.

Vance Woods emphasized the importance of church and family, spiritual growth over a quest for material wealth, community service, the importance of parenthood, communication between people, and the great need for a return of respect, for oneself,

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## Court clears way for 4-year college

Justices says juco  
board can't block  
USMGC expansion

BY JACK ELLIOTT JR.  
Associated Press Writer

The Mississippi Supreme Court ruled unconstitutional Thursday a 1972 law that gave the state junior college board veto power over university off-campus expansions.

Specifically, the justices told the University of Southern Mississippi to go ahead with plans to add freshman and sophomore classes at its Gulf Coast campus in Long Beach.

Presiding Justice Jim Smith, writing in the 7-1 decision, said the junior college board cannot interfere in the College Board's constitutional authority to control the state's universities.

"This is great for Mississippi and particularly for the Gulf Coast," said

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## Waveland resident plans 1,485-ft. private pier

BY ED LEPOMA  
Staff Writer

A Waveland beachfront resident wants to build a pier that would stretch 1,485 feet into the Mississippi Sound.

The private pier would be about 85-feet longer than the Jimmy Rutherford public fishing pier in Bay St. Louis and much longer than the public Garfield-Ladner fishing pier in Waveland. That pier stretches 768 feet

into the Sound from the beginning of its wooden deck.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources printed legal notice in Thursday's Echo, and is accepting written comments from the public until 1 p.m. March 14.

Allen Nelson, listed at 715 N. Beach Boulevard, Waveland, has filed applica-

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Students from St. Stanislaus College serve at the Hancock County Senior Citizens Center in Bay St. Louis Friday as part of the school's "Social Justice Day of Service." All students, faculty and staff participated in the day by serving at social organizations across the Gulf Coast and in Louisiana. Echo staff photo by Geoff Belcher

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# Clark shares 'Photographic Vision' for BayArts 2002

## SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

"In 1998, searching for an Eden of my own, I moved to Bay St. Louis. This search has brought my work full circle, back to the landscape of my native South, which was the subject of my first photographic series in the early 1980's.

"This is a time of rediscovery for me, a time of reconnecting with the land which draws me on a journey of the senses along the Gulf of Mexico. The coastlines along the Gulf have a lushness and sensuality unlike any other landscape.

"There is a sense of mystery and isolation yet also a beautiful and peaceful quality to the landscape. This region is a place unmistakably marked with a spirit of its own."

— Sandra Russell Clark

Photographer Sandra Russell Clark is best known for her images of gardens and ethereal landscapes. For over 20 years she has developed a personal vision



Sandra Russell Clark

which sets her work apart. Her powerful scenes depicting topiary gardens and natural landscapes reveal an essential vision of life that is ordinarily hidden from view.

Clark's use of infrared film, hand coloring and other techniques brings a surrealistic quality to her photographs, a dreamy counterpoint to the way she precisely composes her images.

Clark will be demonstrating and teaching these tech-

niques and more in her upcoming four-day BayArts 2002 workshop, "Developing Photographic Vision," March 7-10 in Bay St. Louis.

Her work can be seen at Serenity Gallery in Bay St. Louis, and her studio will be part of the BayArts Open Studio and Gallery Tours on March 9.

Sandra Russell Clark's work was purchased by the Mississippi Museum of Art from the past year's Mississippi Invitational and is now on view in the exhibition, "Recent Acquisitions," the museum through March 17.

Her work is also included in numerous museum, corporate and private collections — including the New Orleans Museum of Art and Houston's Museum of Fine Arts and have appeared in Vogue, Elle, Traveler, American Artist and other publications.

Clark taught fine art photography at Loyola University. An exhibition of

her award-winning book, "Elysium, A Gathering of Souls," has been traveling to museums throughout the United States.

Clark states, "Exploring personal vision has always been important to me. It is subjective — it is what we carry within ourselves, an accumulation of experiences and perceptions which, in photography, is activated by the simple act of opening then closing the shutter.

"It may be places we see almost every day. Images from the garden, the end of the block, around the corner or a short drive away.

"Images that we may not take the time to notice but by chance. Then an early morning fog, a storm moving in or the dappling of the last light of Fall moving through the woods isolate the image and leads us to view the mystery of forms without comment.

"The atmosphere transforms these very ordinary subjects into something quite extraordinary."

Clark invites you to come explore your own personal vision in her photographic workshop in Bay St. Louis, March 7-10. To sign up, or find out about other

BayArts workshops, call (228) 463-7120 or (228) 467-6226. To reach the artist directly, call (228) 467-6566.

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## Cole 'draws' on experience for BayArts

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"I believe that it is my enthusiasm for art that calms student fears and enables them to tune in and learn quickly. Being an artist isn't a great mystery to be unlocked," said Robin Cole while discussing her BayArts 2002 drawing class.

Using the great new studio space of The Lumbeyard, the natural inspirations found at City Park and on the Bay St. Louis waterfront, Cole will

use many of the techniques she's adopted during her 30-year teaching career.

The drawing is first for all visual art expressions. The drawing may not be reduced to paper, but the student/artist will draw in their mind the body of what they hope to achieve.

Having the skill to use drawings in the planning stages leaves the artist with time for experimentation of medium and techniques, color or its absence.

"Everyone uses drawings

in the planning stages of everything. Why do you think everyone is always searching for a napkin and pen to explain directions, show how to rearrange a room," continued Cole.

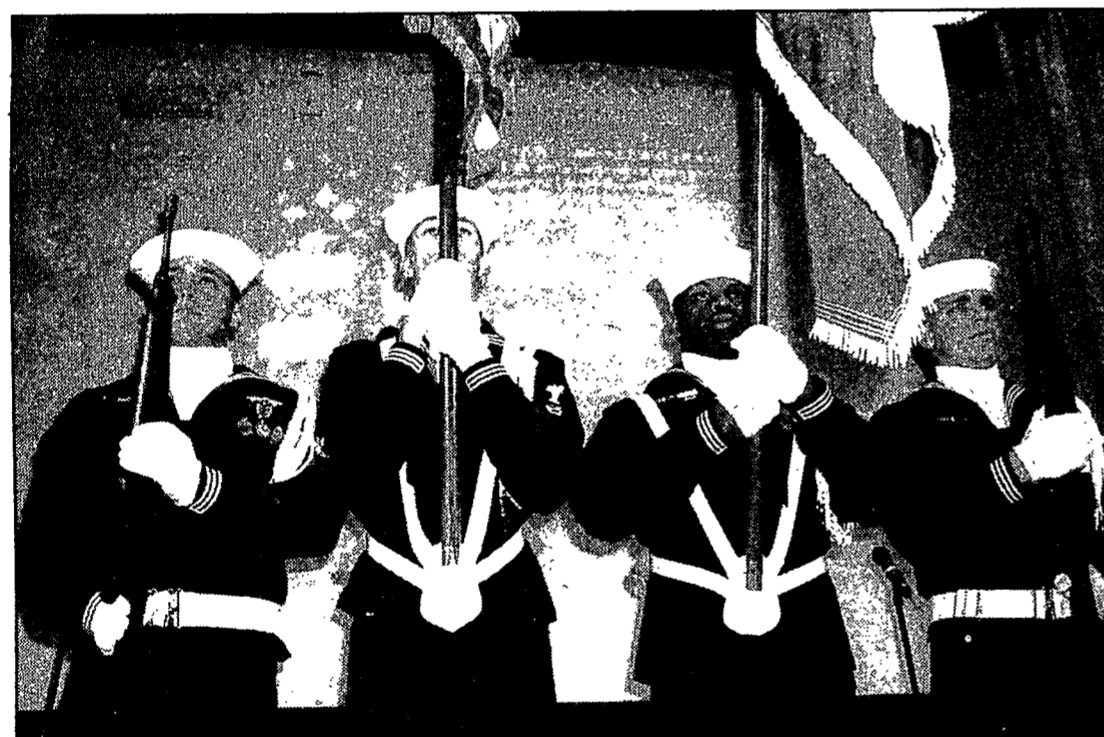
Cole will be offering her first drawing classes since relocating from New Orleans to the artists colony of Bay St. Louis. She continues to serve as the associate professor of fine arts at Delgado Community College, New Orleans, where she teaches drawing.

Students interested in participating in Cole's drawing class during BayArts 2002, March 7-10 may call 228.463.7120.



Robin Cole

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An inspirational moment from the Stennis Space Center Association for Cultural Awareness program, *Bringing Black History Into Focus*, on Thursday, the group's 23rd Annual Black History Program held at Stennisphere Auditorium.

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between men and women and between all people.

"Success doesn't start with a Jaguar; it starts with a spiritual foundation," said Woods. "The person taking a bus across town from stop to stop can have more potential than a person driving a fancy car. It's all about the potential of the real self inside, the spiritual poten-

tial. We either lay the foundation for success or dig the pit for failure."

Kumbuka Drum and Dance Collective wound up the days entertainment with a lively performance that included many audience members. Several willing and several more unwilling participants were called up to the stage to

play various African instruments and join in the actual dance routine. After receiving lessons, each participant performed a brief "solo," either with their instrument or their choice of dance steps, bringing cheers and laughter from co-workers.

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# Ozols explores 'Christ in the Oak'

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"I envisioned a mural which represents both the Crucifixion and the Resurrection. The figure of Christ floats, or is suspended in air. Behind Him is the tree, the Cross, the symbol of earth mightily grasping the ground with ample roots yet reaching up towards the heavens, but earthbound with heavy limbs with earthly knowledge brought back down to the ground. Christ has broken free, the tree is behind him, yet it is His burden also."

—Auseklis Ozols



Auseklis Ozols

Invited to Bay St. Louis in 1991 to design and execute a mural on the walls of the sanctuary of St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church, Auseklis Ozols, founder and artistic director of the New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts, established the mural

"Christ in the Oak" as one of the foremost works of art in south Mississippi and especially the Gulf Coast.

The church has received thousands of visitors from

throughout the United States and abroad to enjoy the moving experience of seeing the mural whose tree limbs and leaves will appear to move with a silent wind

as Christ rises to the heavens.

The Latvian artist was born in 1941 and came to the United States with his parents in 1950. He studied at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, the University of Pennsylvania and the Tyler School of Art at Temple University.

Ozols will present a program on the concept and execution of the mural at St. Rose for visitors of BayArts 2002 Artist's Open Studio Tour, Saturday, March 9 from 11 a.m. - noon.

The program is presented free of charge by the City of Bay St. Louis through the generosity of the Catholic parish of St. Rose de Lima, 301 S. Necaise Ave.

For more information about the Artist's Open Studio Tour, call 228.463.7120.

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## Henderson carves out a new career – and home

"The stone inherently possesses vitality and therefore must be perceived as mobile," said artist and stone carver Anthony Henderson.

Henderson will help students discover this vitality in stone during his four-day BayArts 2002 workshop in Bay St. Louis.

Students will receive instruction in basic stone and hand carving techniques in this workshop, using mallets, chisels, rasps and sand paper, the tools of stone sculpting, to learn these basic techniques and the practical aesthetics pertaining to various types of stone.

Henderson's body of work and art experience in a variety of media enables him to teach the movement of stone.

He has been a profes-

sional educator offering instruction in sculpture, painting and drawing, co-founded a gallery, has been a scenic artist for theatre groups throughout the country, and for the greatest live show, the Rex parade, in association with Blaine Kern Artists. New Orleans, was the chosen artist for the restoration of the marble fountain at Longue Vue House and Gardens in New Orleans.

Henderson created the citywide Stone Sculpture Program at Delgado Community College. BayArts is the first teaching assignment Henderson has accepted since his relocation to the Bay St. Louis artist colony to create a new body of work. To register for Henderson's workshop, call 228.463.7120.

## Yager, Calhoun combine interests and talents

Two artists with diverse backgrounds, but one love – painting. Sory Yager is always looking for the newest surface to use to for one of her inspirations.

Kathe Calhoun wants to paint an emotion. The combination of talents and enthusiasm's for BayArts 2002 watercolor students are lending themselves to a lively workshop filled with humor and dramatic moments.

Yager is a multimedia artist, but prefers watercolor as "this media is so spontaneous and there is such excitement in the unexpected outcome."

Calhoun loves the "pure transparent color, subtle and dramatic at the same

time."

It is her BayArts goal to take the first and second category of artists into the world of the third with the magic of using watercolors.



Yager



Calhoun

Calhoun has been a guest instructor for the Delta Queen Steamboat Company Mississippi River tours.

BayArts 2002 will be the only workshop Calhoun will teach in 2002. There are only three spaces remaining in the BayArts watercolor workshop.

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## Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas  
Publisher Emeritus

So you think you can cook a good pot of red beans? Great, the American Cancer Society can use your assistance for the 13th annual Red Beans & Rice Cook-Off set for Monday, April 22.

Hancock County Assessor/Tax Collector Jimmie Ladner, Jr. is the general chairman once again for the big affair which takes place at the Hancock County Civic Center from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Longfellow Road.

Last year there were 40 participants, and Ladner would like to have that number increased to 50 this year.

Believe me, participants have a great time, as I have attended the previous 12 and have been one of the judges several times.

There will even be a new category this year, and that will be for the Best Cornbread Award.

I am looking forward to tasting all of the cornbread entries since I have been asked to be a judge in the new category.

The big benefactor from the Red Beans & Rice Cook-Off is the American Cancer Society. As you know, cancer touches just about every family in one way or another. Participants in the Cook-Off are divided into four categories: government, restaurants, organizations and businesses. Individuals are also welcome and encouraged to participate.

I called Chuck Breath at Hancock Bank Thursday to see if he will be defending the title he won many years ago and he reported that John Baxter will be carrying the bank's colors this year.

I inquired if Chuck had given any of his secrets to John, and he said some, adding, "For sure they were not the Mayor's Blue Runners secret."

We have lots of businesses, industries, restaurants, organizations, and governmental agencies and home-

makers, so there really should be at least 100 participants.

If you are interested, give Jimmie Ladner or Sandra Hoda a call at 466-6791, in addition to Justice Court Judge Rickey Adam, 255-3550, for further information.

I hope to see you at the Red Beans & Rice Cook-Off in April.

Congratulations are in order for the Bay High Lady Tigers basketball and St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws basketball teams for their advancement in the state tournament Thursday.

The Lady Tigers defeated Eastside 67-63, while the Rocks topped 2001 champs Oxford 76-61.

Both Bay St. Louis teams moved to the semi-finals in the 4A State Tournament which will be between Hancock County and Pearl River County.

Bay High will see action next on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. against neighboring Poplarville. The Lady Tigers have lost twice this season to Poplarville, but with their desire could move to the championship game. The young Lady Tigers are maturing each game.

Stanislaus will be against powerhouse Picayune at 8 p.m. on Wednesday. Picayune is highly ranked in the state with a 34-1 record, while the Rocks are at 31-7.

In 5A competition, the Hancock High Lady Hawks were eliminated by Murrah on Wednesday afternoon 60-53. The Lady Hawks compiled a 25-11 record for the season, while Murrah's record thus far is 30-3.

Best of luck to the Lady Tigers and Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws.

The Lady Hawks really need to be commended, as they made it to the quarter finals in their first season as a 5A school. Look out for the Lady Hawks next year.

## Bush to aid in funding flood control

I am pleased to report that President Bush has joined me in the ongoing effort to protect Mississippi's people from the ever present threat of flooding.

In his budget, the President has included significant and eagerly anticipated funding that should help produce a permanent plan to protect thousands of Mississippians from high water.

Ironically, this effort coincides the 75th anniversary of Mississippi's Great Flood of 1927 - a disaster which needlessly killed many Mississippians.

In this flood, 27,000

square miles in seven states, including a large part of Mississippi, were underwater. After the water receded, 246 people were confirmed dead, although some estimates exceed 1,000 deaths.

More than 700,000 people were forced from their homes, with nearly 325,000 of those forced to live in refugee camps throughout the region.

After this terrible disaster, Congress passed a flood con-

trol act which survives today as the Mississippi River and Tributaries project.

I generally support this and all flood control efforts. Even a lifetime later, Mississippi must still battle floods. Though we have made great strides in checking the threat of floods, Mississippi is still very vulnerable, particularly in the Delta and our state's largest population center: the Jackson Metropolitan Area.

The almost \$400 000 in President Bush's FY 2003 - the first such line item for Jackson flood control in a Presidential budget - will help complete studies into a long-term flood control plan for the Jackson area.

Several plans have been proposed. We should act quickly to select a final solution and implement it. Even a generation after the devastating 1979 Easter Flood which left a huge part of our Capitol city underwater, Jackson and its surrounding communities remain vulnerable to flood waters.

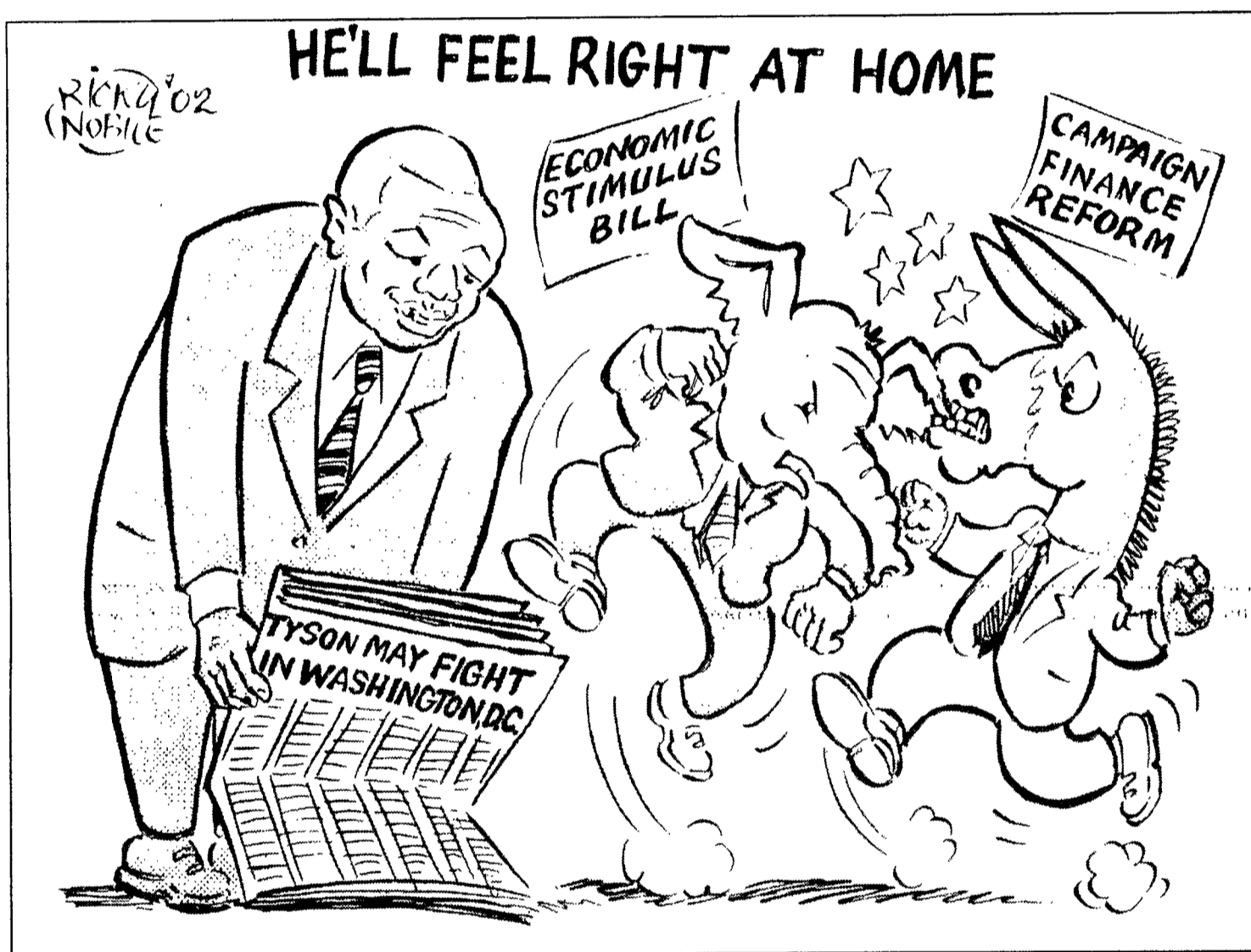
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### From the Senate

By U.S. Sen.  
Trent Lott



## Echo's gill-net coverage just a little 'fishy'

A recent article, "Gill net fishermen feel they're unfairly being put out of business," is not typical of the excellent, balanced reporting commonly enjoyed by regular readers of the Sea Coast Echo.

We feel the author presented only one perspective of an obviously two-sided story, and we thank the publisher for the opportunity to offer an alternative point of view.

Writer Bennie Shallbetter's article begins with the assertion that some fishermen's "way of life has fallen prey to the lure of big money lobbyists for the sport fishing industry." The Coastal Conservation Association of Mississippi is by far the largest organization of saltwater anglers in the state. We do not employ the services of any lobbyist, be they big or small money.

All our contact with legislators and/or fisheries managers is on a grass-roots level, by members volunteering their time. We are unaware of any group of saltwater anglers who are represented in Jackson by a lobbyist.

The Coastal Conservation Association has no prejudice toward commercial fishing. We do oppose the use of certain types of commercial fishing gear.

The monofilament entanglement net is one such type

of gear.

Gill nets, regardless of the construction material, are among the most indiscriminate types of fishing gear.

Any fish of sufficient size, targeted species or not, will become entangled in the net and killed. Sea birds and porpoises; even endangered sturgeon and sea turtles have been caught and killed in these nets.

When the net is constructed of nylon (monofilament) material, and the net is lost or abandoned, that waste can continue for decades.

Throughout the article are frequent references to the "traditions" and "heritages" of commercial fishing in Mississippi.

The Coastal Conservation Association appreciates and respects true traditions and heritages. To portray fishing with monofilament gill nets as something that has "traditions" is at best misleading.

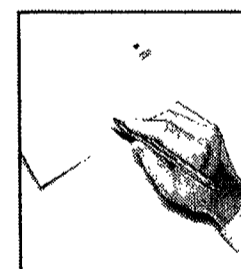
The DuPont Company invented monofilament line in 1958. Shortly thereafter, miscellaneous fishing nets (including gill nets) began to be constructed of the new material.

If there is any "tradition" or "heritage" in gillnetting, it is with exactly the type of degradable net material historically used, and currently required by Mississippi law. To imbue these outlawed,

## Letters to the Editor

### Our letters policy

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monofilament curtains of death with any attribute other than the indiscriminate pillagers of the Mississippi Sound that they are, is an affront to all who care about the future of those waters. And yes, that includes many, many, sport fishermen.

The article implies that increased gill netting would somehow result in lower prices for consumers at local markets and restaurants. Nothing could be further from the truth.

The primary species gill netted in Mississippi over the past few years has been the striped mullet during "roe season." The roe (eggs) is stripped from the fish and shipped to the Orient.

The remaining mullet carcass is sold for pennies a pound as crab bait, or hauled to, and buried in landfills.

Commercial Speckled trout and Red drum landings are, and have been,

regulated under a quota system in Mississippi.

Every year that quota is met, and the commercial season closed. Beginning this year the commercial flounder harvest will also be regulated under a total landings quota system.

There is every reason to believe that quota will also be reached, and the season closed, without increased gill netting and its accompanying waste.

Relaxing the current gill net regulations would not result in another single one of these fish reaching the market. Allowing more gill netting would only deprive commercial fishermen using other gear from harvesting that catch.

We do not consider the simple re-allocation of catch to the most destructive gear prudent from either an economic or environmental perspective.

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# Stanislaus students on a mission

## SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Four Saint Stanislaus College students spent their Mardi Gras holiday on a mission trip to Klagetoh, Arizona, according to Brother Ronald Hingle, SC, Principal. There they met with Brother John Hotstream, SC, Director of the Mission, and three other Brothers of the Sacred Heart who are working there: Brother David Landry, Brother Dwight Kenney, and Brother William McCue. Senior Keith Fleniken, juniors Ralph Caffrey and Danny Surbek, and sophomore Andrew Waggoner, are the SSC students who prepared for the Lenten Season by taking a journey to the Navajo Nation, in Northeastern Arizona. They were accompanied by Brother Ronald Hingle, SC, Principal and Mr. Edward Duhon, Campus Minister.

While there, these students served the Navajo Mission by working with Native Americans on such tasks as building a sheep corral, repairing roofs, chopping firewood, and aiding teachers in the public school.



SSC students Keith Fleniken, Danny Surbek, and Ralph Caffrey spent a portion of their Mardi Gras holidays working on the Navajo Reservation in northern Arizona.

Saint Stanislaus College is a Catholic residency and day school for young men in

grades 6-12. The school fosters character formation and integrates faith devel-

opment within a curriculum which is primarily college preparatory.

## Letters -- fishy coverage

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In an effort to explain some perceived animosity between the user groups, Dr. Vernon Asper employs the myth of the rich sport fisherman, in his fancy clothes, unable to catch a fish from his expensive boat, being jealous of the poor commercial fisherman's catch.

We suggest a quite different, perhaps more realistic scenario.

That of the recreational angler, who has bought all his required licenses, caught his limit of 15 Speckled trout, carefully released all undersize fish, and perhaps "tagged and released" a few more to aid fisheries biologists.

He's cut his fishing day short because he's reached his legal limit. On his way in, he passes a gill net boat with no visible registration numbers (illegal), a pile of monofilament gill net in the boat (illegal) and a boat full of Speckled trout.

We submit that what animosity may exist has basis

not in money, social stature, or the amount of catch. Recreational anglers overwhelmingly support the protection and conservation of marine resources, even when it means reduced catch for ourselves.

Commercial fishermen have historically opposed any regulation that could result in even the smallest impact on their catch, and when their efforts fail, many openly flaunt the law. We have no tolerance for outlaw fishermen of any ilk, who steal from honest commercial and recreational fisherman alike.

The article attempts to perpetuate the misconception that "gillnetting" is synonymous with, and inseparable from, "commercial fishing."

According to the National Marine Fisheries Service

217,743,655 pounds of

seafood was commercially

landed in the State of

Mississippi in the year

2000.

Of that amount, 122,531

pounds was caught in gill nets. That's .006 or just over 1% of the total landings. Interestingly NMFS recorded 248,017 pounds of seafood landed in Mississippi by commercial hook and line fishermen that same year.

Commercial hook and line gear accounted for double the industry impact of gill nets in Mississippi, without the immeasurable waste associated with the nets.

Gill netting is not even a significant component of Mississippi's seafood industry.

Claiming the public has been "lied to by interests that promote the sportfishing industry" may make commercial fishermen feel better.

It may even gain them a degree of sympathy from some of the public who are unaware of the facts. But in the long run it will do nothing to help their "traditions" survive.

Only practicing the

responsible use of our marine resources and strictly adhering to fisheries laws will assure the future of their "heritage."

Rome Emmons  
Executive Director  
Coastal Conservation Assn.



## Lott -- flood control

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of Mississippi's population lives in or near the Jackson Metro Area. Most Mississippians have some connection to this area, either living there themselves or having relatives there.

In my case, I have my only daughter, my son-in-law and my new grandchild living near Jackson. They are among many native Mississippians and new Mississippians who have made Rankin, Madison or Hinds County their home in the two decades since the Easter Flood.

Much of this new residential and economic growth is still within earshot of the Pearl River. Implementing a comprehensive flood control plan for the Jackson area is arguably more important today than ever before.

I am equally supportive of flood control efforts in other vulnerable parts of Mississippi, including the Mississippi Delta. I reject the notion advanced by some that flood control in

the Delta region is environmentally irresponsible, but perfectly okay for more affluent areas.

As a U.S. Senator elected by Mississippians from all parts of our state, I don't have the luxury of this exclusivity. To me, all Mississippians deserve this basic protection regardless of geography or property value.

In the Delta, many of the residents threatened by flooding are poor, uninsured citizens who simply could not replace their homes and property in the event of major flooding. They may be especially devastated by the loss of a loved one in a flood.

On a per-capita basis, they perhaps stand more at risk than the more affluent residents of Jackson. That is why I support Delta flood control efforts along both the Mississippi River and the Yazoo River.

In addition to the human assets, some of Mississippi's most productive farmland is contained in the Delta, and still threatened by flooding.

In Mississippi, controlling flood waters has always been a matter of life and death. The 1927 flood taught us that. That lesson was repeated again in 1979 when a large portion of Jackson was submerged in the Easter Flood.

I am thankful that President Bush recognizes the importance of flood control efforts in the Mississippi River valley and has demonstrated that commitment by an unprecedented allocation of funds to address Jackson flooding.

I will continue to support other flood control efforts throughout our state. Whether in Jackson or the Mississippi Delta, property is property and lives are lives, regardless of location. All should be equally protected from flooding.

Senator Lott welcomes any questions and/or comments about this column. Write to: U.S. Senator Trent Lott, 487 Russell Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. (Attention: Press Office)

## New size and bag limits for flounder species

The following changes for flounder species (Paralichthys sp.) have been effective since March 1 in Mississippi territorial waters:

- 12-inch minimum size limit for both recreational and commercial fishermen;
- 15 fish daily bag limit for recreational fishermen;

and

- 74,000-pound total allowable catch for the commercial fishery. Other changes to Ordinance No. 7,026, an ordinance to provide size limits and bag limit on certain fish species, include language that makes the ordinance compatible to state statutes and

federal size and bag limits for pelagic and reef fishes.

This year, the commercial fishing season for flounder began March 1 and continues through Sept. 31. For more information, contact the DMR at 228-374-5000.

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# Obituaries

**LESLIE CHINN SR.**  
**ANNA DEROCHÉ**  
**ANNA EINWICH**  
**MAYME JOSEPH**  
**VERA MISTLER**  
**LOIS OSTERHOLM**  
**STEVEN PACE**  
**HELEN YORDY**  
**RILEY ZANDERS JR.**

**LESLIE CHINN SR.**  
 Leslie Marco Chinn Sr., 77, of Biloxi, died Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2002, in Biloxi.

Mr. Chinn was born in Biloxi and remained a lifelong resident. He was a Navy veteran of World War II and served on the USS Hornet in the Pacific Theater. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in D'Iberville.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar and Catherine Chinn; and two sisters, Rosemary Chinn and Elizabeth Swendsen.

Survivors include his wife, Lizabell Champagne Chinn of Biloxi; a daughter, Ethelyn Mulkey of Bay St. Louis; three sons, Leslie Marco Chinn Jr., Clifford Chinn and Terrill Chinn, all of Biloxi; two sisters, Ethel Palmisano and Catherine Sucharsky; and a brother, Richard Chinn, all of Gulfport; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Thursday at Howard Avenue Chapel of Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Homes in Biloxi. Burial was in Biloxi National Cemetery.

The family prefers memorials to St. De Paul at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in D'Iberville.

**ANNA DEROCHÉ**  
 Anna Deroche, 76, of Bay St. Louis, died Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Services are pending at Thibodeaux Funeral Home in Louisiana.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis handled local arrangements.

**ANNA EINWICH**  
 Anna Marie Diegelman Einwich, 85, of Pass Christian, died Thursday, Feb. 28, 2002, in Gulfport. Arrangements are incom-

plete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

**MAYME JOSEPH**  
 Mayme A. Joseph, 85, of Pass Christian, died Monday, Feb. 25, 2002, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Joseph was born Jan. 1, 1917, in Pass Christian. She attended Randolph High School and was a member of First Missionary Baptist Church in Pass Christian where she was secretary. She was employed as a nurses' aide with Miramar Nursing Home.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Angeline and Tolliver Biggs; her husband, Lawrence Ervin Joseph Sr.; two brothers, Oscar and George Biggs; and a sister, Mary Alice McLeMore.

Survivors include four sons, Kenneth A. Youngblood of Philadelphia, Pa., Oscar N. Joseph of Pass Christian, Peter A. L. Joseph of Virginia Beach, Va., and Paul E. Joseph of North Wales, Pa.; 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Saturday at First Missionary Baptist Church in Pass Christian. Burial was in Baptist Cemetery in Pass Christian under the direction of J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport.



**VERA BANDERET MISTLER**

Vera Cecile Banderet Mehaffey Blaize Mistler of Long Beach, died Feb. 8, 2002, in Long Beach.

Mrs. Mistler was born Sept. 21, 1920 in Bay St.

Louis and lived in Long Beach since 1990. She attended St. Joseph Academy where she excelled in track and basketball and was graduated with honors in piano.

She reigned as Queen of the May Festival at St. Joseph Academy in 1938. She was awarded nurses' aide certification and worked for Headstart in Hancock County. She was previously married to James Lawrence Mehaffey of Baton Rouge, Osmond Alphonse Blaize of Bay St. Louis and Edward Mistler of Long Beach.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Louis J. Banderet and Elsie Perre Banderet; and her husband, Edward James Mistler.

Survivors include her children and stepsons, daughter Patricia A. Mehaffey of Kenner; sons Oxmond A. Blaize and wife Deborah Blaize of Abbeville, La., Michael S. Blaize and wife Catherine Bennett Blaize of Long Beach; daughter Cheryl Blaize Gascon of Long Beach, and John Mistler of Cincinnati, Ohio; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Feb. 11.

**LOIS OSTERHOLM**  
 Lois Marie Osterholm, 60, of Bay St. Louis, died Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Osterholm was a native and lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis and was a Catholic.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Albert Osterholm, Jr.; her mother, Laura Geoffrey Carpenter; and two grandchildren.

Survivors include a son, Albert E. Osterholm of Waveland; two daughters, Donna Burgess of Waveland and Tammy Osterholm of Bay St. Louis; her father, David "Bill" Carpenter of Bay St. Louis; brothers David Carpenter, Jr. and Brian Carpenter, both of Bay St. Louis; a sister, Diane Selle of Bay St. Louis; seven grandchildren and a

great-grandchild.

Visitation was Friday at Edmond Fahey Funeral home in Bay St. Louis followed by a prayer service in the funeral home chapel and interment at Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

**STEVEN PACE**  
 Steven L. Pace, 47, of Waveland, died Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2002, in Biloxi.

Mr. Pace was born Aug. 1, 1954, in Torrington, Wyo. He was a resident of Waveland for 20 years and was a Baptist. He was a 1972 graduate of Hamilton High School and served with the military police in the U.S. Air Force.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Anna Jean Rainey.

Survivors include his father, Billy Joe Pace of Aberdeen; a sister, Betty House of Hamilton; and four brothers, Jimmy Carl Pace of Nicholls, Ga., Billy Dale Pace of Aberdeen, Terry Lee Pace of Hamilton and Teddy Joe Pace of Tupelo.

Graveside services were conducted Friday in Biloxi National Cemetery under the direction of Lockett-Williams Mortuary in Gulfport.

**HELEN YORDY**  
 Helen Yordy, 84, of Diamondhead, died Friday, March 2, 2002, in Diamondhead.

Arrangements are incomplete at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

**RILEY ZANDERS JR.**  
 Riley J. Zanders Jr., 66, of Pass Christian, died Thursday, Feb. 28, 2002, in Pass Christian.

Services are pending at J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport.

## Elephants, Mother Goose to highlight story hours

"How to Catch an Elephant" will be the theme for the story hour at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library on Wednesday, March 6, at 10:30 a.m.

*How to Catch an Elephant* and *The Cats of Mrs. Calamari* will be the books read during the program. Susan Daigre, program coordinator, will assist the children in coloring an elephant.

"Mother Goose" will be the theme for the children's story hour at the Kiln Public Library on Thursday, March 7, at 10:30 a.m.

*Mother Goose Remembers* and *Each Peach, Pear, Plum* are the books to be read during the program. Children will make a sheep puppet.

Weekly story hours are held September through May.

Programs last approximately one half hour, depending upon subject matter and planned activity.

Programs and activities are designed for pre-school age children three to five years old who are not part of a nursery or pre-school group.

For individual branch story hour information, contact Adrienne Bradley, Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library, 467-5282; or Sandra Ladner, Kiln Public Library, 255-1724.

## DMR to conduct public hearing

The Department of Marine Resources (DMR)

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Our dearest Sean, we miss you so much and our hearts ache to have you with us.

To see your beautiful big smile, to hear you laugh, to hold you in our arms and to hear your voice. You are the most wonderful and beautiful gift from God that anyone could ever imagine or possibly deserve, and we cherish every memory and every moment that we were together. You brought so much joy and happiness. Your memory burns as bright as a star, and our love for you is stronger than anything on earth.

Happy Birthday to our Angel Seanman, Mom & Daddy Richard Finegan, Carmen & Benny Starita The Finegan Families

will hold a public hearing Wednesday, March 6 at 6 p.m. in the auditorium of the Bolton State Office Building at 1141 Bayview Ave., Biloxi. Public comments will be received on an ordinance to regulate the preparation, picking, packing, shipping and sale of saltwater crabs and saltwater crab products. The ordinance establishes the minimum requirements necessary to regulate the processing of saltwater crabs and

establishes a program to protect the public health of consumers by providing for the sale or distribution of saltwater crabs from safe sources and by providing that the saltwater crabs have not been contaminated during preparation, picking, packing, shipping etc. Written comments on this ordinance will be received at the above address until March 14 at 5 p.m. Visit DMR online at [www.dmr.state.ms.us](http://www.dmr.state.ms.us).

## Grand Marshal & Coleen



The Waveland Civic Association had its St. Patrick's ball March 2. Reigning over the festivities were Grand Marshal Gary Slaughter and Coleen Meagan Thornton.



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# BUSINESS NEWS

## Guillotte, Candiottto win top praise at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis

Casino Magic Bay St. Louis recently announced its 2001 Team Member and Supervisor of the Year at a deluxe Valentine's Day Banquet.

The 2001 Team Member of the Year is Carl Guillotte of Pass Christian. He is the food and beverage set-up coordinator for the casino.

The 2001 Supervisor of the Year is Bienville Bay's Buffet Manager Barbara Candiottto of Waveland.

There were 53 nominees, their guests and managers present. All nominees were previously named Team Member or Supervisor of the Quarter.

Guillotte, who has worked at Casino Magic for three years, was very surprised to win.

"There was another Carl nominated, so when they called out 'Carl,' I still didn't know it was me until they said the last name," he said.

He also said that he thinks that while everyone

at Casino Magic works hard, he feels that his department works extremely hard and has a lot of good people in it.

Winners were given the option of taking a cruise to the Caribbean or a trip to Cancun, Mexico.

Both Guillotte and Candiottto have decided to take the cruise. Guillotte says he has been to Mexico before and is looking forward to visiting the different parts of call and meeting interesting people.

Candiottto was married in Italy and has been to Cozumel and Jamaica, but she has never taken a cruise and is excited about the opportunity.

A former caterer, she says that she is looking forward to looking and learning from the food displays on the ship.

She was surprised to win because she says it is the first time she has ever won anything.

"It's (the cruise) just what I needed - a recharging of the batteries and pampering."

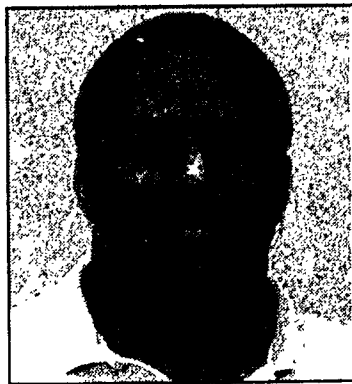
Candiottto, who has been with Casino Magic since May 1993, is keenly aware of the difference in deserving and receiving. She said that there were a lot of people who deserved to get the award.

"I love my job. I love the guest services and hospitality industry," she added. The evening started with music in the air and each woman receiving a red rose for Valentine's Day.

Everyone enjoyed a video showcasing each department and the honorees.

Tables were covered in burgundy and gold satin linens and the chairs were decorated with matching chaircovers.

Penn National's VP of Human Resources George Connolly and Human Resources Director Leslie Patrick were speakers.



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Submitted by Craig Foster, Edward Jones Co.

## Newspapers are primary source of shopping info

When Americans are in the mood to buy - and even when they're "just browsing" - they turn to newspapers for the advertising information that will help them decide what to buy and where to make their purchase, according to a report released this week by the Newspaper Association of America.

The 2001 National Report: Newspaper Advertising of ROP, Inserts and Coupons found that nearly two-thirds of consumers say newspapers are their primary source for advertising and shopping information in general.

More than eight in 10 adults regularly or occasionally use preprint advertising, also known as inserts, and seven in 10 use ROP, or run-of-press, advertising with the same frequency.

"The Sunday newspaper is a portable shopping mall," commented NAA Senior Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer John E. Kimball.

"Preprints provide an easy one-stop comparison shopping resource, and combined with the ROP display and classified ads it's a powerhouse combination at an incredibly competitive price."

"Newspaper preprinted inserts have grown dramatically over the years as advertisers have found that the combination provides a great way to target a message to their customers," he said.

Among the study's findings:

- Seven in 10 adults make a point of looking at newspaper inserts when they are in the market for something, and three-quarters say they check the Sunday inserts to see what's on sale.

In addition, nearly two-thirds look through the inserts even when they're not looking for something in particular.

- Consumers prefer preprint delivery via newspapers to direct mail by a 63 percent to 25 percent margin.

An even stronger preference for newspaper preprint delivery is seen among consumers with higher household incomes (\$75,000+), where the margin in favor of newspapers over direct mail increases to 75 percent to 16 percent.

And, more consumers use newspaper inserts than similar advertising delivered by mail; 70 percent of adults used newspaper inserts to plan shopping in the past month, compared to 51 percent for direct mail.

The 2001 National Report: Newspaper Advertising of ROP, Inserts and Coupons also found:

- More than half of respondents said they look through most of the Sunday newspaper inserts. They are particularly encouraged to look at advertising beyond their regular stores when they want to compare prices, look for a particular product or check out a new store.

- Newspaper readers actively check ROP ads, 64 percent to see what's on sale, 63 percent to comparison shop and 61 percent to get shopping ideas.

In addition, 65 percent say ROP ads bring new products or local events to their attention, and more than a third say they often notice ads from stores where they don't regularly shop.

- Half of consumers say they most often check advertising on Sundays, an

answer almost universal among nearly all consumer groups.

- Almost two-thirds of consumers say newspapers are their primary source for advertising or shopping information in general.

Further, for each of 10 major store categories measured, consumers report that newspapers are their primary advertising source.

## Business workshop offered

The USM Small Business Development Center is offering a workshop, "How To Start A Small Business" on Tuesday, March 26, 1:30-4 p.m. at the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, 412 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis.

The workshop is for anyone interested in starting a small business and will cover general small business start-up information, such as licensing, taxes, zoning, market research, business planning, and financing.

The instructor will be Jill Scafide, business analyst at the USM Small Business Development Center.

The fee is \$18 per person in advance, and seating is limited. To prepay, mail check made payable to USM SBDC to USM Small Business Development Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach, MS 39560.

For information, contact the USM Small Business Development Center at 228-865-4578.

## Hancock increases dividend

George A. Schloegel, Chief Executive Officer of Hancock Holding Company (NASDAQ: HBHC), announced that the company's board of directors approved a regular first quarter 2002 common stock cash dividend of \$0.30 per share, a \$0.02 increase over the fourth quarter 2001 regular cash dividend.

Additionally, the board approved a Hancock convertible preferred stock cash dividend of \$0.40 per preferred share as part of Hancock's merger agreement with Lamar Capital Corporation.

Approved during Hancock's February 2002

joint Mississippi and Louisiana board of directors meeting, the regular quarterly common stock cash dividend is payable March 19, 2002, to shareholders of record as of March 11, 2002. The quarterly preferred stock cash dividend is payable March 29, 2002, to Hancock Holding Company convertible preferred stock shareholders of record as of March 19, 2002.

Company management cited a 10% increase in year-end 2001 earnings, compared to year-end 2000 earnings, among the reasons for the regular cash dividend increase. Hancock Holding Company,

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## SPORTS

## Rocks shock Chargers with 76-71 win in state tourney

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

The 2001-02 St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws have done something that no other SSC basketball team has done before in the illustrious history of the all-boys Catholic high school that overlooks the Gulf of Mexico. The Rocks won their Class 4A state quarter-final game against the Oxford Chargers on Thursday in the "Big House" in Jackson.

SSC's 76-71 victory over the defending 4A state champion Chargers was definitely the biggest upset in the 2002 state tournament, thus far. However, it may rank with some of the biggest upsets in recent tournament history.

The Rocks stunned the defending champions with a barrage of outside shooting and an intangible factor of heart. Oxford returned four of five starters from the 2001 state title team.

SSC head coach Jay Ladner stated, "I am very, very proud of this team tonight. Nobody has given these guys much of a chance this year. They have taken those opinions as a challenge. Oxford has a great team and a great coach. We

knew that Oxford was a very solid team and we just wanted to slow them up. This was a tremendous win by a tremendous group of players. Now, we face a great Picayune team. Picayune may have the best team in the state. They are extremely well-coached and play very hard."

The Rocks jumped out to a 4-0 lead over the Chargers who only led twice during the entire game. Darius Acker paced the Rocks with six points in the opening period as SSC took a 20-17 lead after one.

In the second period, the outside shots kept dropping for the Rocks. And, a tenacious Rock defense kept the Chargers off-balance and out of sync. Oxford took their first lead of the game 21-20 with 6:06 remaining in the first half. But, Sean Benoit quickly solved that problem with dropping a three-pointer from State Street to make the score 23-23.

Oxford took their last lead of the game at 25-24 with 3:57 left to play in the half. However, Gabe Willis dropped a long bomb of his own with 3:37 left in the half to give the Rocks the lead for good.

SSC finished the half with a 7-2 run to give the Rocks a 39-32 halftime lead. In the third period, Gabe Willis strutted his stuff to help lead the Rocks to a 53-42 advantage. Willis scored nine points in the period to lead the Rock attack.

The fourth and final period was the one that legends are made of. It was basket for basket from start to finish. The Rocks led the Chargers by as much as 12 points, but Oxford was not going to give up that title without a fight.

Willis continued to give the Chargers fits while Darius Acker, Sean Benoit, and Robert Smith provided the perfect complement to Willis.

Smith sank two free throws with 4:16 left to play and gave the Rocks their biggest lead 61-49. However, the Chargers cut the lead to five points 63-58 in just seven seconds. Rico McThune sank two three-pointers on consecutive possessions for Oxford.

With 2:59 to play, the Chargers put the Rocks on the line and the Rocks cashed in. SSC sank 12 for 16 free throws in the final three minutes of the game for the win.

Gabe Willis led four Rock players in double digits with 22 points and six assists. Robert Smith added 16 points including 10-for-11 at the charity stripe. Darius Acker and Sean Benoit scored 14 and 13 points, respectively. Oxford was led by Vince Camper with 22 points. Rico McThune and Andrew Westmoreland added 16 and 13 points, respectively.

Oxford ends the season with a 24-9 record while SSC continues its march toward the gold ball with a 31-7 record and will play the No. 3-ranked Picayune Maroon Tide on Wednesday, March 6, in Jackson at 8 p.m.

## Bay gets third shot at rival Poplarville; HHS ends season

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

The Bay High Lady Tigers will advance to the Class 4A state semi-finals on Wednesday, March 6, against nemesis Poplarville. The Hancock Lady Hawks ended an excellent first run in Class 5A with a 60-53 loss to perennial 5A power Jackson Murrah.

Bay High (26-9) managed to gain a 15-point lead over Cleveland-East Side; however, the Lady Trojans fought back to make the game a thriller.

Bay High head coach Debbie Triplett commented, "I am very proud of this team and what they have accomplished here tonight. We hung in there and did what we had to do to win the game. Late in the contest, we knew that we had to protect the ball and hit our free throws. We did that. It is a good experience for this young team to advance this far. They have done what they have been doing all year long. These girls have always found a way to win, even if it was ugly."

Stephanie Reed, a clutch

player for the Lady Tigers, made a clutch free throw with :11 seconds left to preserve the win for the Lady Tigers. Bay High is advancing to play Poplarville, the No. 1 seed from the south. During the season, the Lady Hornets swept the Lady Tigers in a two-game series.

Bay High jumped out to a 20-15 lead in the first period and played awesome defense in the second period to increase the lead to 37-24 by halftime. Carmen Labat was the key in the first period as she scored 11 of her 18 points in the opening stanza.

The Lady Tigers received great play from Kendra Reed and LaMonica James down low. Reed scored 10 points and had 6 rebounds while James recorded a double-double with 11 points and 11 rebounds.

The Lady Trojans made a 13-4 run in the last 2:16 of the game to cut the lead to 66-63 with :11 left to play. Stephanie Reed nailed the first free throw to put the Lady Trojans out of the game. Stephanie Reed finished the game with 19 points to lead Bay High.

The Hancock Lady Hawks finish their stellar season with a 25-11 record. This was the Lady Hawks first year in Class 5A.

The Hawks were without star sophomore Brooke Necaize for most of the second half due to foul trouble.

With 2:45 left to play in the game, Courtney Craft sank a three-pointer to bring Hancock to within a point at 54-53. However, that would be as close as the Lady Hawks would come. Hancock remained scoreless during the final 2:45.

The Lady Hawks also committed 20 turnovers in the game to Cleveland-East Side's nine turnovers.

Devin Necaize scored 19 points followed by Craft's 16 points. LaTisha Shiyou added 10 points in the loss.

Hancock head coach Pam Slayton commented, "I thought we were ready to play tonight. In the last three minutes of the game, it could have gone either way. But, it just didn't go our way. I am very proud of these players this season. They have played hard and I am proud of what they accomplished."

## OLA wins in softball action

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Our Lady Academy defeated St. Alonsius 8-2 last week in high school softball. Rachel Wright evened her record at 1-1, striking out nine batters in the game. Julie Reboul, Emily Meyers and Ashley Mayley each had two hits. Eight different girls scored for OLA.OLA beat Richton on the road Tuesday, 18-5. The game was called in the fifth inning because of the ten run rule. Rachel Wright improved to 2-1 with the win and recorded ten strikeouts. Emily Meyers had three hits and scored two runs for the Crescents. Wright had two hits and

scored twice. Katherine Milner had two hits and scored three times, Jordan Fisher and Christine Schmitz each had two hits and scored one run each.

Denira Dedeaux had one hit and scored three runs, Julie Reboul and Margaret Magers each had a hit and scored a run and Ashley Mayley scored twice.

## Diamondhead Women's Golf Assoc. results

The weather was perfect on the 21st for the Low Net-Trophy Day competition.

Finishing as Winner Over the Field was Debbie Cumberland with a net 63.

First flight winners, in order, were Marsha Heitkamp, Carol Conover, Ruth O'Neal, and Cleo Watson. Joan Inman led the second flight, followed

by Liz Lake, Becky Stritzel, and Yvonne Luck.

Third flight winners were Jo Ann Smith, Carolyn Koerner, Peggy Turner, and Becky Jordan.

The fourth flight leader was Margaret Hill, with Marilyn Valentino, Marge Weber, and Jan Masimore capturing the other places in the flight.

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## SPORTS

## Hawk basketball soars in 2001-02

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

This is part five of a five-part series that features basketball stories on SSC, OLA, Bay High, Hancock, and Pass Christian.

The Hancock Hawks basketball program experienced something in 2001-02 that has not happened in many years. Both squads will end the season with winning records. While the Lady Hawks continue to dominate on their court, the boys squad made another giant leap under head coach Michael Ladner and finished the season 16-15. It was the first time since 1994 that the Hawks claimed a winning season on the hardwood. The Lady Hawks finish at 25-11.

As a matter of fact, the Hawks were just eight points away from being 21-9 on the season due to the several losses by one or two points.

The Hawks play about 10 players regularly. The starters are Matt Ladner, Cody Ladner, Damien Cuevas, Daron Boone, and Kael Peterson. The top players off the bench for the boys are Greg Homer, Brandon Necaise, Jeremy Strief, Marcus Ladner, and Levi Ladner. As true with any classification, the deeper a team can go on their bench the better off the team will be. In the Hawks' case, this season proved that the Hawks were able to go deeper into their bench than in previous years.

Since the Christmas break, the Hawks have enjoyed most of their success. They have become a more consistent team, that has placed themselves in positions to win games at the end. Hancock head coach Michael Ladner stated, "Winning breeds confidence. Since Christmas, our bench has played better which has been a big key for us down the stretch."

Several players have stepped up their game since the mid-season break. Matt Ladner, Daron Boone, Cody Ladner, and Kael Peterson have come to play each night out. Cody Ladner, the team's most versatile player, has played every position

on the court for the Hawks this season. His shot selection and percentage has increased since the visit from old St. Nick.

Matt Ladner has been in tremendous shooting groove and has become one of the more consistent shooters on the team. Daron Boone has been shooting the ball very well and earned a starting spot after Christmas. Kael Peterson may be the unsung hero of the bunch. Peterson plays a huge game very quietly. Peterson is described by Coach Ladner as being "...very humble and quiet, but plays big in big games."

At the beginning of the school year, Hancock moved up to compete in Class 5A. The athletes nor the coaches backed down from the challenge. In fact, the Hawk athletic program has fared very well, overall, to the jump in class. On the basketball court, as was the same on the gridiron, the Hawks proved they could compete. SSC head coach Jay Ladner commented on the success of the basketball Hawks, "Michael Ladner has worked very hard trying to resurrect a program. The Hawks' success and winning season is a credit to him and to the desire of the young men that play for him."

The season ended on Tuesday, February 12, with a loss to Petal in the division tournament; however, the accomplishments of the Hawk squad aren't diminished. Ladner summed up, "I've got a great group of players. They support each other. They are hard workers in the classroom and the community. They represent all of the community with great pride. I cannot begin to put into words how proud I am of this team and what they have done this season."

Building a program comes in steps. The Hawks and Michael Ladner have taken another step in the resurrection of Hancock Hawk basketball. And, the motto remains strong "Hawk Today. Hawk Tomorrow. Hawk Forever."

The same rings true with the Lady Hawks as it does with the Lady Tigers of Bay

High. Hancock is a young team age-wise. But, the players are seasoned and experienced. The Lady Hawks have played 36 games this season. The schedule has stretched the players in what types of situations they have been exposed to.

The Hancock Lady Hawks have continued to excel on the hardwood under the guidance of second-year head coach Pam Slayton. The Lady Hawks disposed of Hattiesburg in the finals of the division tournament to claim the championship. Next, they defeated Northwest Rankin for a trip to the South State tournament in Wayne County where they ended up a No. 2 seed in the State Tournament in Jackson. Perennial power Jackson Murrah ended the stellar run of the Lady Hawks with a 60-53 loss on Wednesday, February 27.

Devin Necaise, Brooke Necaise, LaTisha Shiyon, and Kayla Stephenson have been constant in the lineup all season. Depending on the situation at hand, either Courtney Craft or Melissa Duncan has started at the point.

The first ones off the bench are Rachel Necaise, Amanda Arcement, Lacey Grimes, and whichever point guard did not start the game.

Devin and Brooke Necaise lead the team in scoring with both players averaging over 15 points per game. Shiyon, Rachel Necaise, and Stephenson provide some inside muscle in the paint and on the boards.

One noteworthy aspect of the lineup is that there is not a senior in the top eight or nine players.

All will return for Slayton in 2003.

Lady Hawk head coach Pam Slayton stated, "The team feeds off the shooting of Brooke and Devin Necaise. The play of LaTisha Shiyon, Rachel Necaise, and Kayla Stephenson has been very pleasing. The team is working very hard to continue their season. The players are very comfortable with

each other. And, they should be because this group has been playing together since before middle school. That gives them an intangible that not many other teams have. They know the strengths and weaknesses of each other in different situations."

Team growth has been vital to the Lady Hawk program this season. What the team has learned about itself and what they can do has been instrumental in our success.

Slayton commented about the tradition that the girls play under, "The tradition of girls basketball at Hancock was a big attraction for me. Basketball is very important to the this community and the girls know it. The girls work very hard at a young age to become varsity players. I am not sure which came first the love of the game or the winning tradition. However, one thing is certain, these girls love to play the game of basketball and they love to play for this community."

Team growth and success has become the precursor for this version of the Lady Hawks. There isn't one superstar on the team; however, there is a superstar team in Kiln, Mississippi right now.

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## Lady Cats eye Itawamba rematch in Region XXIII Tourney Monday

Pearl River Community College's Lady Wildcats eye a rematch with the Itawamba Lady Indians Monday in first-round women's action at the 2002 Region XXIII Tournament to be held next week on the Mississippi College campus in Clinton.

Coach Ed Walley's Lady Cats enter the annual event as Mississippi's No. 3 seed after trimming host Itawamba 70-60 in first-round action of the 2002 MACJC (Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges) State Tournament Tuesday in Fulton. PRCC fell to 15-8 overall after losing 67-58 to eventual state champ Copiah-Lincoln in the regional semi-finals on Wednesday.

The Lady 'Cat-Lady Indian battle opens the tournament at 12 noon. "Our girls played their hearts out up at state. I couldn't have asked any more from them," said Walley.

PRCC lost two key starters forward Kristie McKinley of Hattiesburg High and guard Jessica Welborn of Kenner, La. to severe ankle sprains in the Itawamba victory and both

played sparingly against Co-Lin. McKinley saw some second-half action and finished with four points, while Welborn entered the game only briefly and did not score.

"We're hoping they'll be back on the court for the regionals, but right now we just don't know," Walley said Friday. "Both are key players on our team and we need both of them back."

Nationally-ranked Co-Lin, Mississippi's No. 1 seed in the regionals, defeated Southwest Mississippi 70-65 for the state title Thursday in Fulton. Southwest is Mississippi's No. 2 seed, while East Central is Mississippi No. 4 and Itawamba Mississippi No. 5. Meridian is Mississippi's independent seed, while Northwest is Mississippi No. 7.

MACJC men's teams in the regionals are (seeds unavailable) state champion Holmes, which defeated Northwest 96-89 for the MACJC title Thursday; Jones, Itawamba, Mississippi Gulf Coast, and Southwest. Independent teams are Bossier Parish and Delgado. All women's first-round games will be played

Monday, while the men's opening round is set for Tuesday.

Here is a breakdown of the women's and men's brackets:

Women Pearl River vs. Itawamba Monday at 12 noon. Southwest vs. Northeast Monday at 2 p.m. Meridian vs. East Central Monday at 6 p.m. Copiah-Lincoln vs. Northwest Monday at 8 p.m.

The Southwest-Northeast winner takes on the Meridian-East Central winner at 12 noon Wednesday; while the Co-Lin-Northeast winner takes on the PRCC-Itawamba winner at 6 p.m. Wednesday. The women's championship game is set for 6 p.m. Thursday.

The women's and men's Region XXIII champions earn berths in the NJCAA National Tournament set for the following week.

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## Save Our Children



Echo staff photo by Bennie Shallbetter  
The Lutheran Women's Missionary League recently donated \$900 raised from a yard sale for teacher and student supplies at the Hancock County Task Force to Save Our Children. Pictured are League treasurer Llane Myers, SOC Director Barbara Towers, SOC Board President Geraldine Lang, and League member Cassie Breland.

## Violence

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session. Some are first-time offenders, and some are multiple offenders, he said.

"And, it runs the socioeconomic gamut," said Adam. "Some are from poor families, others from the middle class and some involve the upper class of society. It (domestic violence) knows no boundaries."

Carver was unavailable for comment due to a family illness.

The Diamondhead News printed by the Property Owner's Association recently reported year-end crime statistics for that affluent community located in the eastern end of Hancock County. Its security force or Hancock County deputies responded to 63 cases of domestic violence there last year, according to the newspaper.

Adam said the age of offenders range from teenage boyfriends and girlfriends, to young or middle-aged married couples or couples who have been married for a long time.

"Most of the time it involves grabbing or slapping rather than threatening someone with a gun or knife," he said.

Adam said he has also witnessed exceptions. "Just recently, we had a case where both a wife and husband involved in an altercation required treatment in the hospital," he said.

About a quarter of the offenders are women, who beat up on their boyfriends or husbands, Adam said.

Adam said he and Carver met recently with Sheriff Steve Garber and some of his staff regarding domestic violence cases. "We asked the Sheriff to provide us with more pictures and for his deputies to provide us with a thorough report in each case," said Adam.

He said most of the calls involving domestic violence come through the 911 emergency system, but some might be called in by concerned neighbors or family members.

In most cases, Adam said,

deputies arrest the assailant, and the arrested person would be required to post a bond ranging from \$250 to \$1,000, depending on the circumstances.

He said it was also not necessary for the spouse or complaining party to testify in court. "The officer who investigated the scene and made the report can testify," Adam said.

He said he has gotten advice from Carver and county prosecutors John Genin and Bill Frisbie on how to handle domestic violence cases coming before his court.

"If they are first offenders and are found guilty, I usually fine them a minimum of \$250, but the fine can go as high as \$500, depending on the extent of the violence," said Adam.

First-offenders are also given a six-month suspended jail sentence and are required to attend anger management classes either at the Gulf Coast Medical Health Center or the Battered Women's Shelter in Harrison County, he said.

"And, if alcohol or drugs are involved, they would be required to attend Alcoholics Anonymous sessions," he added.

Adam said he and Carver wanted to issue a staunch warning for first-offenders who might come into their courts again facing a domestic violence charge or to multiple offenders coming before them.

"We want to let them know, we take this charge seriously," said Adam.

"We give you a six-month suspended jail sentence, but if you violate your parole within a two-year period, you're going to serve a two-year jail term," Adam warned.

Adam and Carver are also planning to raise reporting standards and awareness of domestic violence.

They have already met with officials of the Battered Women's Shelter and Gulf Coast Mental Health Center in efforts to get a register of

domestic violence offenders up and down the coast.

Adam said he has also talked with Hancock County School Supt. Mike Ladner about having professionals from the Shelter come to schools to begin speaking to children about domestic violence. He said he planned to pitch the plan to School Board officials and if they approve, he plans to visit individual school principals and explain the purpose of the future educational program to them.

"We'd like to have a program in schools that educate children from kindergarten to 12th grade," said Adam. He said the classes would be taught four times a year in order to cover the school population.

"Violence involving teenage girlfriends or boyfriends is increasing tremendously," he said.

Adam said greater public awareness is probably the reason domestic violence charges are on the rise.

"It's always been with us, but it's probably reported more now," he said.

From his courtroom view, Adam said usually alcohol or drugs or a combination of both contribute to domestic violence situations.

"And, usually people choose the wrong time to discuss problems, and the situation escalates."

He said most offenders come before him to confess they "exploded."

"Most instantly regret their actions," he said.

Adam said he feels for the children and the families involved in domestic violence situations.

"That's the saddest part of my job," said Adam, the father of two young daughters. "I take it personally. The problem doesn't involve just the two offenders. It affects everyone around them."

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## College

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Reuben Anderson, a Jackson attorney representing the College Board and a former Supreme Court justice. "I am glad to know that the Supreme Court understood our arguments to be valid."

The justices found the College Board has the power to authorize dual campuses for its universities and it's not unconstitutional for USM's Gulf Coast campus to offer four-year courses.

"That position was insulated before the lawsuit was filed and throughout the litigation. That was supported by the attorney general of the state," Anderson said.

The state Board of Community and Junior Colleges sued in 1999 to block USM's plans to create the four-year program at the Gulf Park campus.

Gulf Coast Community College already offers freshmen and sophomore classes on the coast.

A Hinds County judge ruled in May 2000 that the College Board and USM couldn't offer lower level courses without consent of the board that oversees the

state's two-year colleges.

USM's coast campus offers only upper- and graduate-level classes. The College Board had voted to offer classes to freshmen and sophomores as well. USM has hoped to accept its first class of freshmen this fall, pending the Supreme Court's decision.

Olon Ray, executive director of the community college board, said he was disappointed with the outcome, but the board thought it was right in seeking to uphold the 1972 law.

Ray said there remain concerns that USM's expansion will not be the only one, even though higher education officials deny any other expansions are planned.

"One of the main reasons we brought the lawsuit was because we saw the potential for that happening over and over around the state," Ray said. "It was not a Gulf Coast issue per se; it was a statewide issue. The court's spoken and as far as I am concerned it is time to move on."

The College Board argued that USM's Gulf Park campus is not an off-campus branch but a dual

campus unaffected by the 1972 law.

Presiding Justice Chuck McRae said higher education had changed over the years so that universities are not considered a separate entity but comprised of campuses in various parts of the state.

"It defies logic that a four-year college or university is not located on the Gulf Coast where a large portion of Mississippi's citizens live," McRae wrote. "To have one on the coast would allow the community colleges to feed their students into it."

Hinds County Chancery Judge William Singletary ruled the College Board and USM couldn't offer lower level courses without consent of the junior colleges.

Gulf Coast leaders have been promoting a four-year USM campus as a way to improve people's lives and boost economic development.

They said the growing population needs access to a four-year college. The closest four-year campus is USM's main campus in Hattiesburg, about 70 miles north of Gulfport.

## BSL Dixie Youth softball registration

The Bay St. Louis Dixie Youth Girls Softball league is starting registration for the 2002 season.

This league is for all girls ages 5-15. Registration will be done at McDonald Field on the corner of Dunbar and Ulman in Bay St. Louis from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. March 2.

Registration will also be taken Monday-Friday at the following locations:

Old City Hall in Bay St.

Louis, Gus McKay, 463-7135

Southern Printing, 230 Davis Ave., Pass Christian, Dane Jenkins, 452-7309

For more information, call the numbers listed above or Pennie Brogle at 467-3192 and Leslie Besancon at 467-2348.

**Coaches wanted**

The Bay St. Louis Dixie

Youth Girls Softball League will be taking applications during registration for young ladies ages 15 and up who would like to help coach a girls fast pitch softball team.

For information, call Kelly Blanchard at 467-9062 after 6 p.m.

## Little League registration

The Waveland Little League will have registration Saturdays, 9-1 p.m. at McDonald Restaurant, Hwy. 90 in Waveland.

Registration fee will be \$35 for the first child, \$25 for the second and \$15 for each additional child.

Necessary is proof of address and original birth certificate.

The age groups will be 5 through 14. A player must be age 5 before Aug. 1, 2002,

and a player cannot reach the age of 15 before Aug. 1, 2002.

Any child in the Hancock area is eligible to play.

Anyone interested in umpiring, being a manager or coach, or being involved with concession stand, field preparation, fund raising, etc. or needing information, contact Leo at 806-0988, Marian at 806-0987 (anytime) or Linda at 467-4098 after 5:30 p.m.

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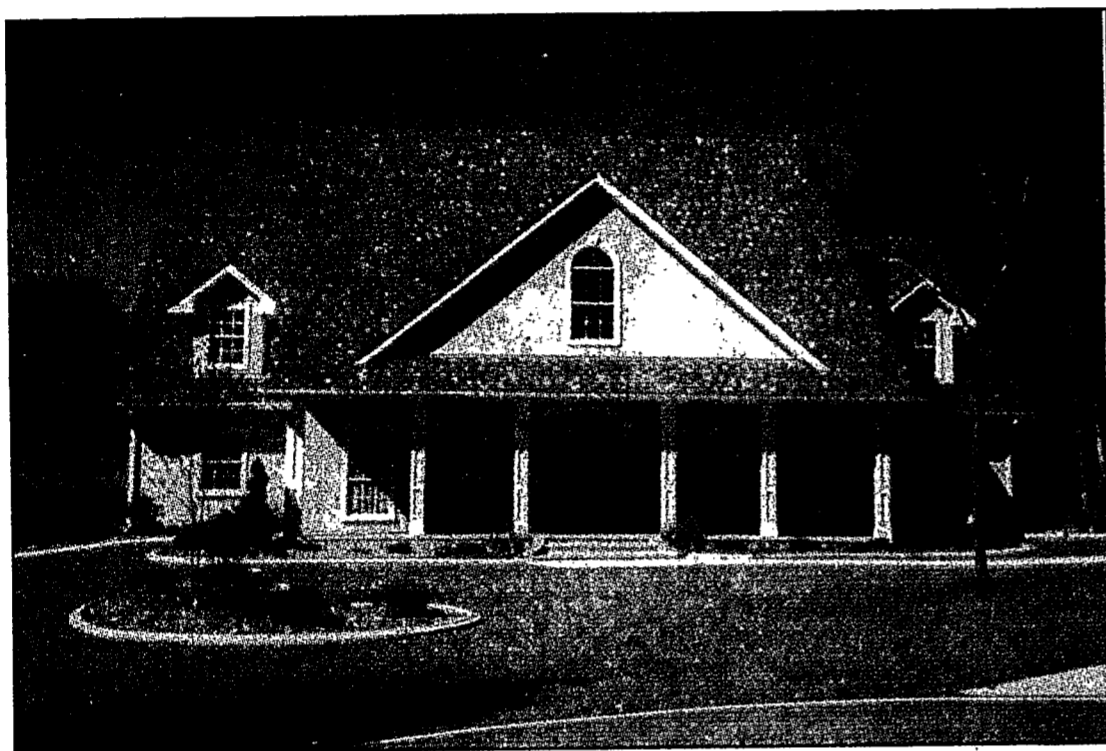
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## Spring Pilgrimage

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Gardens of Mrs. Nina Cotton, 8920 Kipapa Way

Diamondhead Garden Club has been chosen to host the opening day festivities for the 55th annual Gulf Coast Pilgrimage on March 9. Chairman is Jerry Ingram; host, the Diamondhead Garden Club. In addition to the Diamondhead Garden Club's Standard Flower Show, held at the Community Center, there will be four seminars presented in the Fellowship Hall of the Diamondhead Community Church. Topics are:  
9:30 a.m., The Joy of Water Gardening, Mirna Carter, Pass Christian; owner, Carter's Raintree Nursery  
10:30 a.m., Dried Floral Arranging, William Brewer, Gulfport; designer/owner Cardinal Flowers  
11:30 a.m., A Passion for Floral Beauty, Cherry Lovelace, Beach Garden Society; award-winning floral designer  
12:30 p.m., The Art of Decorating with Flowers (demonstration of handpainting furniture), Betsy Burgess, Pass Christian; owner, Botanica Home & Garden Creations

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### 2. HOME OF DOLORES AND R. A. LOUVIER, 658 HANAUMA COURT

As you arrive, notice the palmetto branch imprints in the driveway. The double-leaded glass doors lead you into the foyer with its elephant-motif wallpaper.

The open floor plan and floor-to-ceiling windows offer panoramic views of the gardens.

The Louviers' nephew built the coffered ceiling in the study. The master bedroom is done in toile, and the two-tone ceiling is unique.

Mrs. Louvier antiques the cabinets in the morning room and kitchen. Enjoy the view from the eight-foot kitchen window. Make the trek upstairs to discover the "secret room" built for the grandchildren.

### 3. HOME OF DORIS

### AND GLEN NETHERY, 97149 KAPALAMA ROAD

Guests will arrive under the porte-cochere at the front entrance. Enter the marble-floored foyer of this 8,000-square-foot home through a sunburst, brass-cast door.

Notice the brown and tan color scheme that the Netherys have used throughout their home. The circular stairway leads to

PILGRIMAGE--PAGE 4B

## Mississippi/Louisiana and the whiskey keg boundary line

Announcing columnist Paul Estronza La Violette's triumphant return from vacation.

There is a time in each year when it's best to get out of the cold blasts of the winter winds and to sit in front of a roaring fire and sing songs and tell lies.

One of the stories I hear a lot on these occasions is the one about the whiskey keg and the Mississippi/Louisiana boundary line.

This is usually told in a rather authoritative way by whoever is telling the story.

It's as if the person has a first-hand knowledge of the way things happened and is amazed if anyone doubts him. If the person is from Louisiana, a bit of a superior smirk is invariably part of the telling.

There are a number of variations of the story, sometimes it's long, sometimes it's short. But any telling entails knowing the geography of the general area near the mouth of the

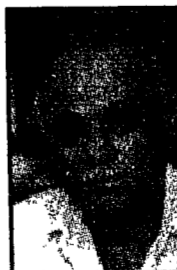
Rigolets. In the off chance that you are not familiar with that area, I have included a rather simple map.

Let's take a second and look at it. Note where the state boundary sits south of the mouth of the Rigolets. Unlike other state boundaries that lie in water and are mid point in the water between the two states, the Mississippi and Louisiana boundary in this area hugs the Mississippi Coast, actually passing inside what is called on some maps Grand

Isle and on others Half Moon Island. In fact by doing so, the line places Grand/Half Moon Island in Louisiana when it should by all logic be part of Mississippi.

Seem a little fishy? Well, there lies the heart of the often told story.

In the bare bones telling, it seems that sometime in the 1800's an ad hoc Mississippi Louisiana committee was formed to decide on a boundary line in the water between the two states.



### Views From a Front Porch

by Paul Estronza La Violette  
laviolet@mail.datasync.com

There were no oil leases in those days, but there were fishing and shrimping rights and these were as important in those days as they are now.

In the versions of the story I've heard, the

Louisianians played host, entertaining the Mississippians with good food and lots of whiskey. Lots of whiskey. It became quite a party.

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## What's for Lunch? MAR. 4-8

### Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District Chef Salad, Milk and Condiments served daily BREAKFAST

**Monday:** Pancake and Sausage Stick, Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

**Tuesday:** Sausage and Biscuit, Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

**Wednesday:** Grits and Hashbrowns, Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

**Thursday:** Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

**Friday:** Cinnamon-Raisin Biscuit, Cereal, Toast, Juice

### LUNCH

**Monday:** Macaroni and Cheese with Ham Chunks, Chicken Sandwich with Trimmings, Buttered Corn, Baked Beans, Fresh Apple, Tropical Fruit mix, Rice Krispie Treat, Yeast Roll

**Tuesday:** Chili and Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Steak Sandwich with Trimmings, Coleslaw, Peas and Carrots, Peach Slices, Orange Smiles, Crackers, Chewy Fudge Brownie

**Wednesday:** Red Beans and Rice with Sausage, Patty Melt, Seasoned Potato Cuts, Green Beans, Fresh Banana, Strawberry Blend, Mexican Cornbread

**Thursday:** Chili Cheese Fritos, American Sub Sandwich with Trimmings, Green Peas, Carrot Stick with Dip, Fruit Cocktail, Fresh Fruit Bowl, Butter Cookie

**Friday:** Pork Roast with Rice and Gravy, Cheese Pizza, Seasoned lima Beans, Garden Salad with dressing, Pear Slices, Applesauce, Yeast Roll

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**Wednesday:** Cereal with Toast or Grilled Cheese, Juice

**Thursday:** Cereal with Toast or Sausage Biscuit, Juice

**Friday:** Cereal with Toast or Breakfast Pizza

### LUNCH

**Monday:** Chicken Spaghetti, Foot-long Hot Dog, French Fries, Calif. Vegetables, Tossed Salad, Pears, Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Chocolate Pudding

**Tuesday:** Southern Fried Chicken, Cheeseburger, Cheesy Potatoes, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Peaches, Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Crackers, Cake

**Wednesday:** Pork Roast and Gravy, Taco Salad, Creamed Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Pineapple Tidbits, Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Crackers, Jell-O

**Thursday:** Beef-A-Roni, Ham and Cheese Pobo, Oven Fries, Raw Vegetable with Dip, Tossed Salad, Applesauce, Fruit Juice, Cornbread, Crackers, Ice Cream

**Friday:** Cheese Pizza, Roast Beef Pobo, French Fries, Steamed Carrots, Tossed Salad, Sliced Apples, Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Fruit Crisp

### Hancock High and Middle Schools Served daily: Chef Salad, Bread, Dessert, Milk and Condiments LUNCH

**Monday:** Cheesy Chicken over Rice, Foot-long Hot Dog, Stuffed Crust Pizza, French Fries, Calif. Vegetables, Tossed Salad, Pears, Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Chocolate Pudding

**Tuesday:** Southern Fried Chicken, Cheeseburger, Chef Salad,

Cheesy Potatoes, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Peaches, Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Crackers, Cake

**Wednesday:** Pork Roast and Gravy, Taco Salad, Chef Salad, Creamed Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Pineapple Tidbits, Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Crackers, Jell-O

**Thursday:** Beef-A-Roni, Ham and Cheese Pobo, Chef Salad, Oven Fries, Raw Vegetable with Dip, Tossed Salad, Applesauce, Fruit Juice, Cornbread, Crackers, Ice Cream

**Friday:** Chicken Spaghetti, Cheese Pizza, Roast Beef Pobo, Creamed Potatoes, Steamed Carrots, Tossed Salad, Sliced Apples, Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Fruit Crisp

### Bay Catholic Elementary School BREAKFAST

**Monday:** Waffle Sticks, Juice, Milk

**Tuesday:** Hashbrowns with Sausage, Juice, Milk

**Wednesday:** Breakfast Bagel, Juice, Milk

**Thursday:** Sausage/Egg Biscuit, Juice, Milk

**Friday:** Pancake, Juice, Milk

### LUNCH

Milk or Juice served with every meal

**Monday:** Mexican Pizza or Chef's Salad, Peas or Mixed Veggies, Pears of Apple Slices

**Tuesday:** Ham and Cheese Pobo or Chef's Salad, Tater Tots or Side Salad, Applesauce or Banana

**Wednesday:** Red Beans and Rice or Chef's Salad, Coleslaw or Peas, Strawberries or Banana, Roll

**Thursday:** Grilled Chicken Sandwich or Chef's Salad, French Fries or Baked Beans, Peaches or Oranges

**Friday:** Filet-a-Fish or Garden Salad, Mixed Veggies or Green Beans, Applesauce or Pears

Menus subject to change.

## Beta Club walks for MS



The Hancock High School Beta Club recently participated in a walk-a-thon to raise funds to cure multiple sclerosis. The club members collected donations throughout the local community. They raised more than \$900, which will be sent to the Montel Williams Fund, which was established to fund medical research for a multiple sclerosis cure. The Hancock High Beta Club is a service organization composed of academic leaders. The club's motto is "Let us lead by serving others." The club is sponsored by Kay Lovelace. The member who collected the most funds was Lindsey Cuevas. Club walkers pictured are, front left, Karolina Sarnowska and Samantha Gregory; back row, Amanda Francis, Amanda Lovelace, Travis Altman, Natasha Arce, Andrew Almond, and Chris White.

## Spear on Millsaps' Pres. List

Rachel N. Spear of Waveland, a senior at Millsaps College in Jackson, has earned a spot on the college's Fall 2001 semester President's List.

Students on that list have a grade point average of 3.850 to 4.0.

Millsaps is a privately supported college founded in 1890 and affiliated with the United Methodist Church.

## Pass Christian Mentor Day

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- F) If you are receiving 100% disability benefits proof of your disability.
- G) If you have vehicles licensed in other states you must show reason.
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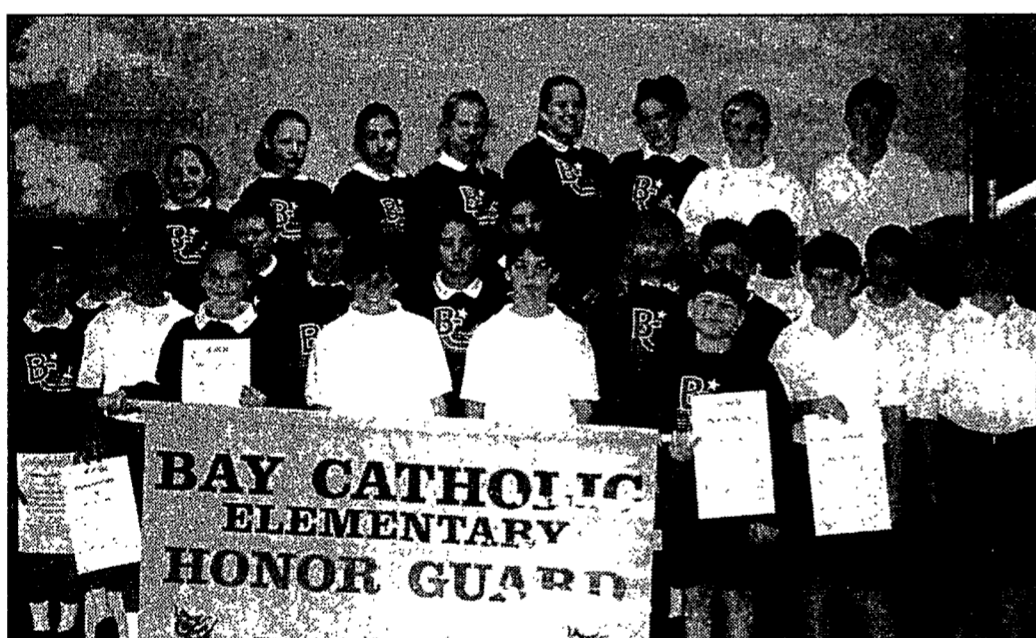
You must re-file your homestead exemption application if

- A) You became 65 years of age.
- B) You became 100% disabled.
- C) You acquired a new residence
- D) You acquired additional property that adjoins your homestead.
- E) Your marital Status changed (divorced, widowed, separated etc.)

If you have any questions please call 228-467-4425 or 888-409-6239

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## Honor Guard



The Bay Catholic Honor Guard includes, back row from left, Tristan Jamieson, Katherine Currie, Mary Chillimigras, Andra Puffer, Jaimie Reisch, Rebekah Kennedy, Katherine Lobrano, Miles Corbitt and Powell Lobrano; in front, Kristin Kergosien, Karen Lichtenstein, Dillon Kenny, Mary Alexis Boxx, Brian Henton, Brittany Henry, Sam Goggins, Amelia Simpson, Ike Keel, Maggie Hunt, Blair Bermond, Hunter Treutel, John Stahl, Chelsi Potee, William Hadden, Josh Chrisman and Ryan Brettel.

## PRCC Fall President's List

Pearl River Community College has released its President's List for the 2001 fall semester. Students

making the President's List achieved a 4.0 grade point average. Local students include Michele R. Carbon.

Mary B. Klein and Adam J. Knight, all of Bay St Louis; Jeremy Garriga and Sergiy A. Ivanenko, both of Kilm.

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## Weddings



Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Wilz

### Wilz-Walker

Wendy Lynn Walker and Patrick Daniel Wilz of Bay St. Louis were united in marriage Nov. 1, 2001 in an evening ceremony at Walt Disney World with Mr. Jack Day officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Nell Walker of Bay St. Louis.

The groom's parents are

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wilz of Long Beach.

The bride was given in marriage by Mr. Rick Pokorny.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Kathy Pokorny, and best man was Mr. Mike Atkinson.

The couple will reside in Bay St. Louis.

## Pearls win national title

Pearl River Community College's String of Pearls won the college division last Sunday in the 2002 United States Dance/Drill Team Championships held at Universal Studios in Orlando, Fla.

The championships were sponsored by American All-Star, a dance company which choreographs Super Bowls.

The String of Pearls, under the direction of Archie Rawls, Fine Arts chairman at PRCC, won both categories in jazz and pom poms.

"Our biggest excitement was winning the jazz," said Alison Pigott, 19, a sophomore from Picayune and captain and choreographer of the String of Pearls. "We only had about one month to practice that routine and we knew all the other teams in the competition had months and months to practice."

"We performed our pom routine really, really well. People there said we were the sharpest group in the competition and that made us all feel pretty good about our performance."

Said Rawls, "We scored superior in all categories. This was a really great accomplishment for our program and for the school. We received some great exposure from this competition. These girls brought the level of performance to national standards."

The performances took place on the Hard Rock Live Stage at Universal Studios. The String of Pearls' two minute and 30-second pom routine was video taped and will be shown on FoxSports

at a time to be announced later.

"What this performance does is show people that we can compete on the national level," said Rawls. "And that should help us to attract good dancers for our program."

One of the groups on hand to cheer for the String of Pearls was the Hancock Talons from Hancock High School, which was there to compete in the high school competition.

"We did not have a lot of people there cheering for us," said Pigott, who helped the Hancock team with its routine. "Our parents could not go because the national competition was a last-minute thing for us. So it meant a lot to hear all those screams for us. It made us feel good. Plus, a lot of them are interested in trying out for the Pearls next year."

The 15-member PRCC team qualified for the national competition by finishing first recently in the 2002 Mississippi State Dance/Drill Team Championship held at Hinds Community College in Raymond.

Pigott said team members for the spring semester have worked hard to achieve success. They try out in the fall to make the spring team, even if they are on the fall String of Pearls. According to Pigott, they have to be able to do a more advanced routine.

"We practice Tuesdays and Thursdays for two hours," said Pigott. "It's a limited time compared to the fall String of Pearls, so we have to work extra hard

during that two hours. We have no time for play. The girls understand that before they come in. They have a good work ethic and want to be the best."

The 2002 Spring Semester String of Pearls include: Brooke Burge of Poplarville, Roxanne Fletcher of Waveland, Ashley Foster and Jessica Melville of Bay St. Louis, Candace Lindsley of Hattiesburg, Candace Mooney of Carriere, and Idus Arcement, Mandi Landry, Leslie Lee, Lindsey Miller, Leigh Ann Smith, Jodi Tate, Danielle Wheat, Natalie Woods and Pigott of Picayune.

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The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Florence Caracci and Mrs. Carmel Jeanfreau.

Maid of honor Cathryn Fonte of Illinois will attend the bride-elect. Bridesmaids are Carlie Cadrecha of Hattiesburg, Jessica Velasquez of Florida and Lauren Hansell of Waveland.

Best man Aaron Parks of Bay St. Louis will attend the prospective groom. The groomsmen are Ray Waltman of Waveland, David Delcuze of Bay St. Louis and Dustin Steele of Pass Christian.

Ushers will be Billy Chapetta of Diamondhead and Andy Breux of Bay St. Louis.

The flower girl is Alyssa Comfort of Diamondhead, and the ring bearer is Dreux Delcuze of Bay St. Louis.

The couple will exchange vows April 6, 2002 at St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland, with a reception following at Holiday Inn.

### Southern Alabama honors list

University of South Alabama students who received scholastic honors during the 2001 fall semester include:

William Ross Pitcairn IV

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## Pilgrimage

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guest bedrooms that share an efficiency kitchen.

The large sunken living room has a granite fireplace and is flanked by two plant-filled atriums.

Other features of the home include an exercise room, Mrs. Nethery's office, a hobby room, and a game room. Behind the home is a caretaker cottage.

### 4. GARDENS OF MRS. NINA COTTON, 8920 KIPAPA WAY

The beautiful gardens, designed and maintained by Mrs. Cotton, consist of four sections. In 1986 the gazebo was constructed with a stained glass window designed by her.

In it she used colors to mirror those found in her surrounding flowerbeds. Her friendship garden was added in 1992.

It consists of a circle of stepping stones, each with the name of an old friend engraved on it and the date when they first met.

The bird village was begun in 1993. Each birdhouse has been custom made to copy the exact design of the home of family members.

Also included are a LSU house with names of Tiger friends and an USM house representing Nina Cotton's alma mater. Her latest section being developed features a stainless steel butterfly lawn chair. Flowers that attract butterflies have been planted in this area.

Friends have given her many unusual "butterflies" to add to her new garden room. As you stroll through this peaceful garden, partake of the refreshments provided in the gazebo by this charming, Southern hostess.

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In the living room are an antique, hand-carved Chinese chest and a lighted mahogany cabinet displaying china, porcelain and other old pieces.

The front guest bedroom has a sleigh bed, and the back bedroom has a high-back, hand-carved bed, each over 150 years old.

Notice the pie-shaped bedside table and the chamber table. The dining room boasts an 1890 marble-top washstand, an antique English tea service cart holding an old Heidelberg tea service, and an oak breakfast room with a rose marble top.

Chippendale chairs surround the hand-hewn cypress harvest table.

*The Mississippi Gulf Coast Council of Garden Clubs' 55th Annual Pilgrimage of homes, gardens and historical landmarks continues through March 16.*

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• *Monday, March 11 - Pass Christian Isles and Pass Christian.*

• *Tuesday, March 12 - Bay St. Louis.*

• *Wednesday, March 13 - Long Beach and Gulfport.*

• *Thursday, March 14 - Beauvoir, Historic Biloxi.*

• *Friday, March 15 - Biloxi.*

• *Saturday, March 16 - Ocean Springs. Irish Heritage Gala at Biloxi.*

## Five generations



Five generations of the Ladner family recently united for a family gathering, including Kyndra Lawless, Canellie Krementz, Shella Thomas, Lee Ladner and Natalline Ladner.

## MSU releases honor lists

Mississippi State University in Starkville has released its President's and Dean's lists for the 2001 fall semester.

Students on the President's List achieved a 3.80 or better grade-point average, based on a 4.0 scale, while completing at least 12 semester hours of course work with no incomplete grades or grades lower than a C.

Dean's List students achieved a grade-point average between 3.5 and 3.79 based on a 4.0 scale, while completing at least 12 semester hours of course work with no incomplete grades or grades lower than

a C.

**President's List:** Elizabeth Austin and Sheryl Tassel, both of Diamondhead; and Hazel Payet and Jill Rutherford, both of Bay St. Louis.

**Dean's List:** Lisa Cuevas of Pearlinton, David Deblanc of Hancock County and Sandy Le of Bay St. Louis.

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## Views -- boundary

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On the second day, when someone mentioned that they should get down to deciding the boundary, a Louisianian delegate casually pointed to a whiskey keg that stood nearby ready to slake anyone's thirst.

"Now I noticed, gentlemen, that there keg is about empty. Since it ain't doing us no good sitting there, I humbly suggest we put it in the water when the tide turns and let it drift. I move that we drift along behind it and use its course to set up the dividing line. Being that we have both drunk from it, the keg should be completely impartial. Shouldn't take too long and we'll be back this evening to eat some of that roast pig."

This seemed fair to the Mississippi delegates who presumably checked to make sure that the keg was indeed empty and, helped by what were probably more sober Louisianians, boarded the boats where more whiskey kegs were cached in case the first one sunk.

These were full of course and had to be emptied by the delegates in the event any were needed as a replacement. The rest is history and supposedly the line they established that day is the line we see today on the map.

To add a scintilla of truth to the story as well as indicate that what happened

may well have been a con job, a few facts about the tidal currents in the area should be mentioned, facts that a local would know, but an outsider would not.

This is, that during a tidal cycle in the area, the west-setting tidal current holds back the Lake Pontchartrain water trying to exit through the Rigolets. However, when that tide shifts and becomes east-setting, the water pent up by the previous tide is released and a strong current flows out of the Rigolets that turns east and hugs the Mississippi coast.

Take another look at the map. The area between Grand Isle/Half Moon called St. Joes Pass. There is a broad twenty-foot deep tidal trench in the Pass.

In some places the depth exceeds thirty feet and is one of the deepest places in both Lake Borgne and the Mississippi Sound. Its depth is not due to man-made dredging, but to the force of the water exiting the Rigolets.

If the story of the whiskey keg is true, it appears that the Louisiana

delegates knew exactly when and where to drop the keg in the water.

There is more to this, however. What I have written here makes a good story and the odd location of the boundary and its relation to the physical aspects of the current gives some credence to it having some kernel of truth.

But, and this is an important "but," I have not been able to find any reliable document that testifies to the truth of the story. In fact, the actual subject of the odd location of the boundary is not mentioned at all in the books I have looked at. There is a great deal written on the breaking up of the once large Hancock County to its present smaller county components. But there is nothing that I can find on the why of the odd water boundary south of the Rigolets.

If you find anything beyond a story told to you by someone who heard it from someone else, let me know.

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The activities for which these funds may be used are in the areas of housing. More specific details regarding eligible activities, program requirements, and the rating system will be provided at a public hearing, which will be held at the **Hancock County Courthouse, 150 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Ms. 39520, on March 20, 2002 at 6:30 p.m.** The purpose of this hearing will be to obtain citizen input into the development of the application.

Published by Order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi this the 20th day of February, 2002.

(Seal)

Timothy A. Kellar  
Clerk, Board of Supervisors  
Hancock County, Mississippi  
By: Penny Dean, D.C.  
It: March 3, 2002

## Sackett on Ole Miss honor roll

Several area students have been added to the fall 2001 semester honor rolls at the University of Mississippi. Among them is Leslie W. Sackett of Bay St. Louis, who was added to the UM Dean's Honor Roll. A grade-point average from 3.5 to 3.74 is required for full-time students carrying at least 12 semester hours for listing on the Dean's Honor Roll.

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## Are you on cruise control?

Clinging to his walker, rocking unsteadily on disfigured, gimpy legs, Gregory Sumas appeared on my small front porch several months ago and leaned on the doorbell.

When I opened the door, it was difficult to tell which of the two of us was the more surprised, seeing each other for the first time.

"My father knew you years ago at Corpus Christi Church where he ushered. He spoke about you often. Now, finally, I'm getting to meet you."

"Yes, I was all of 31 in 1961 when, motoring in from St. Augustine Seminary in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, I was assigned to do weekend confessions and Masses at Corpus Christi in New Orleans. Your father was a wonderful human being and Christian. I have fond memories of him."

In no time flat, Gregory began to talk, and talk, and talk. My first dose of him was almost an overdose. From that moment on, I was to see a man consumed by a driving need to communicate constantly, in great detail and about all the good things and information he had come to know in his life.

But not all was well. His face betrayed frequent pain of some intensity, often grimacing as spasms of hurt raked some part of his body.

More often than not, relaxation was missing from his appearance, whereas a constant strain seemed ever there in an effort to conceal the annoyance of pain.

Amazingly, for all his talking, he always had some substantive information to share about medicine, diseases, cars, forensic science and a medley of other things with which he was familiar through reading or conversation and experience. There was no subject which was completely alien to him.

But, poignantly, the topic most urgent and most frequent in his constant chatter was his own health, his afflicted condition dating back to childhood. When he was a child, doctors warned his parents three different times that he would not live. By sheer dint of will and faith, Gregory beat the prognoses and in the end at the age of 54 probably outlived his doctors who, presumably, were at least 30 years his seniors. Most people have one, maybe two, and rarely three diseases to fight, such as hypertension, diabetes and heart disease.

Gregory had a whole family of lethal diseases to engage in daily combat.

Lethal inclusion body polymyotosis began the assault somewhere around the age of 6, leaving the doctors in amazement that this conglomeration of diseases did not kill him in early childhood. At some time in early middle age, which he was not supposed to have reached, he became afflicted by diabetes and cancer.

Curiously, his family members even to this day know almost nothing about the origin and severity of these diseases, because Gregory was so secretive, not wanting them to worry about his personal problems.

However, what he refused to share with his family members, he finally decided to communicate to me.

To say the least, it was a riveting, extremely painful account for anyone to listen to, and so his family was undoubtedly much better off not having been subjected to the gnawing details of it.

Over the years, I have met and known people in worse physical shape than Gregory, most of them, of course, not far from death's door.

But never in my life have I known or even heard of anyone so tenacious of life, so ferociously dedicated to conquering disease and achieving quality of life.

"I can't sleep at night," he often said. "Well, maybe a few hours some nights. Pain is always there, and my mind never stops turning about anything and everything, trying to put all the pieces together in my health, in my family, in my personal relationships, in my community."

If all sick people had Gregory's desire and drive to beat physical and all other afflictions, the percentage of survivors and people recovering from illnesses would be astronomical. It is well known how many people have lukewarm feelings about recovery, or simply give up entirely.

"I didn't sleep at all last night," he admitted one of the last times I had the privilege of talking to him. "I tried, I closed my eyes and kept them shut, but I just couldn't drop off to sleep even for a few minutes."

All the while, Gregory paced as a lion would pace, hobbling along on his gimpy, unwilling legs. If I moved to another part of the room without looking, there was always the danger of a collision, given the fact that he was in one place now, but quickly migrated to another section of the room.

On his final visit several weeks ago, I was unfortunately rushing to get out of the rectory, running to meet an appointment. Gregory's parting advice as I stalled my engine in my haste: "Give the motor 20 seconds after ignition!"

Gregory Sumas left all of us an object lesson in life, showing us how to endure pain, how to refuse to be defeated by any disease, how to avoid loafing along on cruise control, how to get the most out of every day.

Without a doubt, he lived according to the Master's plan for us: "I came that they might have life, and have it to the full" (John 10:10).

## St. Thomas Episcopal News

St. Thomas Episcopal Church youth group, 5303 Diamondhead Circle in Diamondhead attended a rope climbing challenge at St. Michael's in February and plans to repeat the rope climbing challenge again in March.

Those interested in joining the youth group for their food, fun and frolic activities may do so by calling The Rev. Brian Seage at 255-9213.

Lenten Wednesday evening services and aeries "Christ In My Life and Vocation" continue each Wednesday evening at the church in Johnson Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Evening worship of Vespers begins at 6:30 p.m. followed by a soup supper and speaker. This series continues throughout Lent at the same time and place.

All persons interested in bringing Christ into their lives are invited to attend.

Call 255-9213 for complete information.

Jan Wiley and Darlene Parks have returned from the Honduran Medical Mission having provided medical aid and comfort to the people there.

The Rev. Brian Seage, The Rev.

Kyle Seage, Sally Kappus, James Dedeaux, Dick and Darlene Parks, Betty and Hoppy Hopkins attended the annual conference in Vicksburg. The Bishop commended the Episcopal churches on the Coast for the growth taking place.

St. Thomas Episcopal Church plans to add an expansion of existing space and a new education wing with classrooms, state-of-the-art nursery and choir room. The capital campaign headed by Ted Brodnax, will begin with the theme, "Onward St. Thomas."

Blessing of the Palms will take place at the 10 a.m. service on March 24, followed by a procession into the Sanctuary. Holy Week will have Holy Eucharist services at noon Monday through Friday followed by a simple lunch. Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will be at 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday will be celebrated at the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist services with special musical presentations. Those interested in information about the choir or Hand Bell Choir, contact Donna Hutchins, choir director, at 255-9213.

## The "Word" for the Week

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"Strike the shepherd that the sheep may be scattered" (Zachariah 13:7). These are words spoken about Christ over 500 years before His birth.

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The night before the crucifixion, Jesus said to His disciples, "You will all fall away because of Me this night, for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered'" (Matthew 26:31).

This is exactly what happened. Judas took a group of soldiers out to the Garden of Gethsemane to arrest Jesus. "And they laid hands on Him and seized Him" (Mark 14:46).

In the scuffle, one of the disci-

ples "drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, and cut off his ear" (Mark 14:47).

When Jesus did not resist and was taken, the disciples "all left Him and fled" (Mark 14:50).

So it was that these words spoken about Jesus over 500 years beforehand were fulfilled in intimate detail.

This is wonderful evidence concerning the truth of the Bible. It is confirmation that the Bible is the Word of God. Only God could give us words that are infallibly fulfilled.

Therefore, they are words "to which you do well to pay attention" (2 Peter 1:19).

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St. Ann Catholic Church, Lower Bay Road, Saturday Vigil Mass, 5 p.m.

Sunday masses: St. John Catholic Church, Lakeshore Road, mass at 8 a.m.; St. Ann, 10:30 a.m.

Weekday masses (St. Ann): Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 8:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Visitors are welcome.

Lenten Schedule  
Each Wednesday during Lent

Mass and Stations of the Cross at 6 p.m.

During Lent, Mass will be celebrated in church instead of the chapel.

Wednesdays, Father Jack will conduct Bible Study class in the Education Building immediately following Mass and Stations of the Cross.

All Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence.

March 2: Vigil Mass goes back to 5 p.m.

The fifth annual St. Patrick 50/50 Draw Down will be Saturday, March 16 at 6 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Tickets are available at the parish office and after all masses on the weekend.

School News  
March 4: RCIA at 7 p.m.

March 4: K-5th grades CCD at the regular time; CCD-CYO grades 6-12, 5-6 p.m.

March 4: Confirmation class at 6:45 p.m.

All classes in the Education Building

March 17: Children's Mass at 10:30 a.m.

Children's baptism for those receiving First Communion in May

March 9: Second Scrutiny, 5 p.m.

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March 5: Seniors Club meeting at 10 a.m.



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# Krewe of Real People presents 'Soul Olympics-Achievers Paving the Way'

The Krewe of Real People welcomed the 2002 Mardi Gras season, Feb. 9 at the Hancock County Civic Center with their 21st Coronation Ball.

The ball's theme was "Soul Olympics-Achievers Paving the Way."

The krewe highlighted African-American excellence in the field of sports by selecting those athletes who were the first to break the color barrier and make it possible for others to succeed to this day. The royalty throne was decorated with a pair of Olympic flags designed by Nellie Bell and an eight-foot tall Olympic torch constructed by Bad Seed Productions of Bay St. Louis. The program followed a traditional Olympic ceremony with a parade of flags, carrying and fighting of the Olympic torch, and the honoring of the athletes.

The mistresses of ceremony were Mrs. Toy Watts and Ms. Oretia Smith. The ball opened with a parade of flags by The Unique Flaming Flag Girls. They included Jenny Palode, Geneva Mitchell, Bliss Acker and Ariell Brown.

They excited the crowds with the twirling and tossing of the flags while stepping to the sounds of the "Mardi Gras Second Line."



King John Whitfield and Queen Janell Payne

The carrying of the torch was done by Ulysses "Uncle Hoss" Williams. He then symbolical lit the Olympic torches which burned throughout the ceremony.

"Uncle Hoss" was then given a gold medal for his role as a pioneer in our community by krewe member Dianne Fredericks, who has been a member for the past 21 years. Also presented was a proclamation by Pat Tice from the City of Bay St.

Louis. The Krewe Captain, Sandra Price was transported in and unveiled, revealing The Statue of Unity. Like the Statue of Liberty, she represents a quest to unite people now and increase togetherness all year long. The chains under her feet represented the breaking away from slavery. The broom in her right hand represented the sweeping away of animosity between

people, and the tablets in her left hand had the inscription of the Juneteenth Celebration "Lest We Forget. Her headpiece contained several dozens of red and orange-feathered plums with the letters UNITY highlighted in silver sequins.

Reigning King and Queen from the 2001 Mardi Gras Season were then introduced. King Ronald Avery and Queen Tamera Whavers made their farewell promenade to the throne, as the audience gave them a standing ovation.

The Ellsworth Collins Service Award was presented this year to Clarence Harris of Waveland for his untiring commitment to helping young and old in our community. The annual award is given to those who demonstrate strong commitment to help others.

Tametrica Ishem sang an outstanding solo tribute to our award recipient by singing "I Believe I Can Fly." The 2002 King and Queen were then presented, King John Whitfield and Queen Janell Payne.

King John Whitfield of Gulfport is married to the former Rhonda Hawthorne. He is the father of three sons and a daughter, and is currently employed with

Phelps-Dunbar, LLP as a managing partner.

Queen Janell Payne of Bay St. Louis is the daughter of Connie Payne Lampley of Bay St. Louis and Richard Polk of Moss Point. She is attending Bishop State College in Mobile and is majoring in biology. The King and queen wore matching mantels decorated with the Olympic Rings and torch designed by Needleworks of Biloxi. The queen's headpiece contained several dozen multicolored feather plums highlighting the colors represented by the royalty courts' headpieces. Jeffery and Sidney Cuevas of Pass Christian designed all headpieces for captain, queen and court.

The royal candidates Arnold Fairconneture and Tequila Hall were presented and thanked for their hard work this past year.

The royal maids, Diamond Laneaux and Jasmine Swainer presented gifts to the Queen.

The royal pages, Master René Collins and Master Justin Collins presented gifts to the King.

The 2002 Parade Grand Marshal was Charles Hawkins, Sr. of Waveland. He is a professional body builder, holding several titles. The Hands in Motion Performers performed a

tribute to the Grand Marshal under the direction of Yvette Hawkins, Myra Haynes, and Yolanda Hunt.

The performers were Kavonna Bradley, Tenille Farmer, Breanna Hart, Danielle Gladney, Crystal Stretching, Corsheilia Walker and Kendra Reed.

Rickey Lyons dramatically did a tribute to Muhammad Ali. He came out swinging, shuffling and rhyming with sharp words that Ali was famous for.

The royalty court to the King and Queen represented the achievements in the sporting field, namely football, baseball, basketball, track and field, tennis and boxing. The final entertainment was a comical skit performed by the Hardy Third Ward Globetrotters. They included players Nathaniel Fairconneture, Russell Fairconneture, Maurice Singleton, Jr., Thomas Farve, Charles Brown and was refereed by Joni Farve. This group performed hilarious basketball tricks like fancy dribbling, ball spinning on a finger and dunking.

The coronation ended with a toast by the newly crowned king, and the 2002 Mardi Gras season was officially declared open.

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OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE. 900 SQ. FT., 640 Hwy 90, Waveland \$575 per month Call Herb 467-0244, Coldwell Banker Alfonso Realty

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## 161 Condo Rental/Sale

DIAMONDHEAD- LANAI VILLAGE One Bedroom Condo, newly remodeled. View of 18th Fairway. First Floor. Great Location. 228-255-1778 or (228) 860-8838.

## Public Notices

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, Hancock County.

Executrix's Notice to Creditors of GEORGE JAVIER, JR. 2002-64

Letters testamentary having been granted on the 15th day of February, 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of George Javier, Jr. deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred. This 24 day of Feb. A.D. 2002

S/ George Javier, III

Executrix

02/24, 03/03, 03/10/02

## IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

DAVID MCIVER PLAINTIFF VERSUS THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF SYLVIA COYLE DECEASED DEFENDANTS

CAUSE NO. 2000-641 SUMMONS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO The unknown or known heirs at law and all other persons claiming any right, title or interest as heirs of SYLVIA COYLE, Deceased. You are hereby summoned to appear to show cause why David Mciver and Heather Acosta should not be adjudicated as the sole and only heirs at law of the Decedent, Sylvia Coyle, and as such to be the owners of the following described property as fully set out in the petition on file in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.

Lots 33, 34, 35 and 36 Block 33 BAY ST. LOUIS, LAND AND IMPROVEMENT COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION of part of the Bay St. Louis Land and Improvement Company's First Addition to the City of Bay St. Louis and Waveland, Mississippi, as per the official plat of said subdivision filed in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on April 27, 1897.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. in the 10 day of April, 2002 in the courtroom of the Hancock County Court House Annex at 306 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and seal of said Court this



# Entertainment

## China Exhibition – on track to success

The Gulf Coast Exploreum's blockbuster exhibition, *China! 7000 Years of Innovation*, now showing in downtown Mobile, is meeting expectations on all fronts.

More than 25,000 people toured the exhibit between Jan. 12 and Feb. 20.

Average daily attendance since opening has reached 630 visitors.

Post Mardi Gras week – Feb. 11 to 17 inclusive, the average daily count rose to 783.

Since opening, over 5,600 students and teachers from regional K-12 schools have toured the exhibition, and another 9,300 are already booked to come now through March 13 alone. School group reservations are filling quickly as well in April and May.

"Our best marketing tool to date has proven to be the many satisfied visitors who are spreading the word to friends and neighbors that China is a 'must see event,'" remarked Eleanor Kulin,

Exploreum marketing manager.

The visitor guest book is full of comments such as "Exceptional," "Awesome," and "Spectacular."

"Exploreum staff worked hundreds of hours to install the exhibition and to be ready to welcome our visitors with knowledgeable exhibit tours. The response to date has made all that effort worthwhile," said Michael Sullivan, executive director.

Highlights for most visitors include the chance to meet and observe the 12 Chinese artisans demonstrating their age-old skills in the exhibit galleries and the sections on silk weaving, astronomy, double-sided embroidery and paper making.

The specialty China gift shop is also another popular stop for visitors. Products made on site by the artists, including watercolor paintings, personalized signature seals and hand-crafted kites are selling quickly as are

the many items stocked to complement the exhibition, from model clay soldiers to calligraphy sets and silk scarves.

Kulin added, "Our closing date of June 9 is still too far away for us to predict what the final attendance will be, but all the signs are there that *China! 7000 Years of Innovation* should attract the predicted 110,000 visitors."

*China! 7000 Years of Innovation* showcases the immense scope and impact of ancient China's technological advances. It includes over 600 models of China's great inventions in architecture, astronomy, navigation, medicine, papermaking, printing, porcelain and silk weaving and embroidery.

Mobile is the first U.S. venue and only scheduled stop in the Southeast for this unique exhibition, from the China Museum of Science and Technology in Beijing.

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For more information, contact Eleanor Kulin, marketing manager, Gulf Coast Exploreum Science Center.  
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## Glass Menagerie cast



The cast has been selected for *The Glass Menagerie* by Tennessee Williams, the next production of Bay St. Louis Little Theatre under the direction of Ray Kutos. The players Walter Williford, seated, who portrays Tom Wingfield, and LaDonna Darrah, cast as his sister, Laura; standing, Scott Darrah, playing the Gentleman Caller, and Sandy Higdon, cast as Amanda Wingfield. Production dates are March 29, 30 and April 5 and 6 at 8 p.m. at the Boardman Avenue Playhouse. For information, call 467-2587.

## Horse show to host fifth Grand Prix

The Gulf Coast Winter Classics horse show moves into the home stretch with the \$25,000 Shoney's Inn Grand Prix at 1:30 p.m. today, Sunday, March 3, at the Harrison County Fairgrounds.

At least 40 horses are expected to take part in the Olympic-style, fence-jumping competition, which marks the last of the show's five \$25,000 Grand Prix events. The final Grand Prix, on March 9, will have a total purse of \$77,700.

Admission for the Shoney's Inn Grand Prix is \$5 with children under 6

admitted free. Tickets are available at the door, and proceeds go to Coast charities.

The closing weekend's festival March 8-10 will feature not only the \$77,700 Michelob Gulf Coast Master's Tournament of Horse Jumping, but a \$5,000 dog agility competition and a Celebrity Challenge. Daily and weekend passes are available.

For more information, call (228) 832-0080 or visit [www.gulfcoastclassics.com](http://www.gulfcoastclassics.com) for a full schedule.

## Crosby Arboretum March programs

**Kids: Wildlife Day at the Crosby Arboretum**  
Friday, March 8  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Schoolchildren and the general public will love this special day devoted to Mississippi Wildlife.

Live animals will be on display, and short presentations will be given by their caretakers on their feeding and life habits.

Admission is free on this day, but please call the Crosby Arboretum office at 601-799-2311 to register groups.

Exhibitors include Wildlife Rehabilitation - WRANPS plus spiders, turtles, snake casts, track casts, hummingbirds, and more.

**Spring Plant Sale**  
Saturday and Sunday,  
March 16 and 17  
Member Sale:  
9 a.m. to 10 a.m.  
Public Sale:  
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Celebrate the first days of Spring at the annual Crosby Arboretum Spring Plant Sale. This big sale specializes in a wealth of interesting and unusual garden plants. Choose from perennials and wildflowers, shrubs, and trees. Admission is free.

**All About Rocks**  
Saturday, March 30  
10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Rocks are rare and fun to find in the Gulf Coast. Children will learn about rocks and minerals, where they come from, and how to start their own collections.

A variety of rocks will be on display for kids to touch. Please reserve a space by

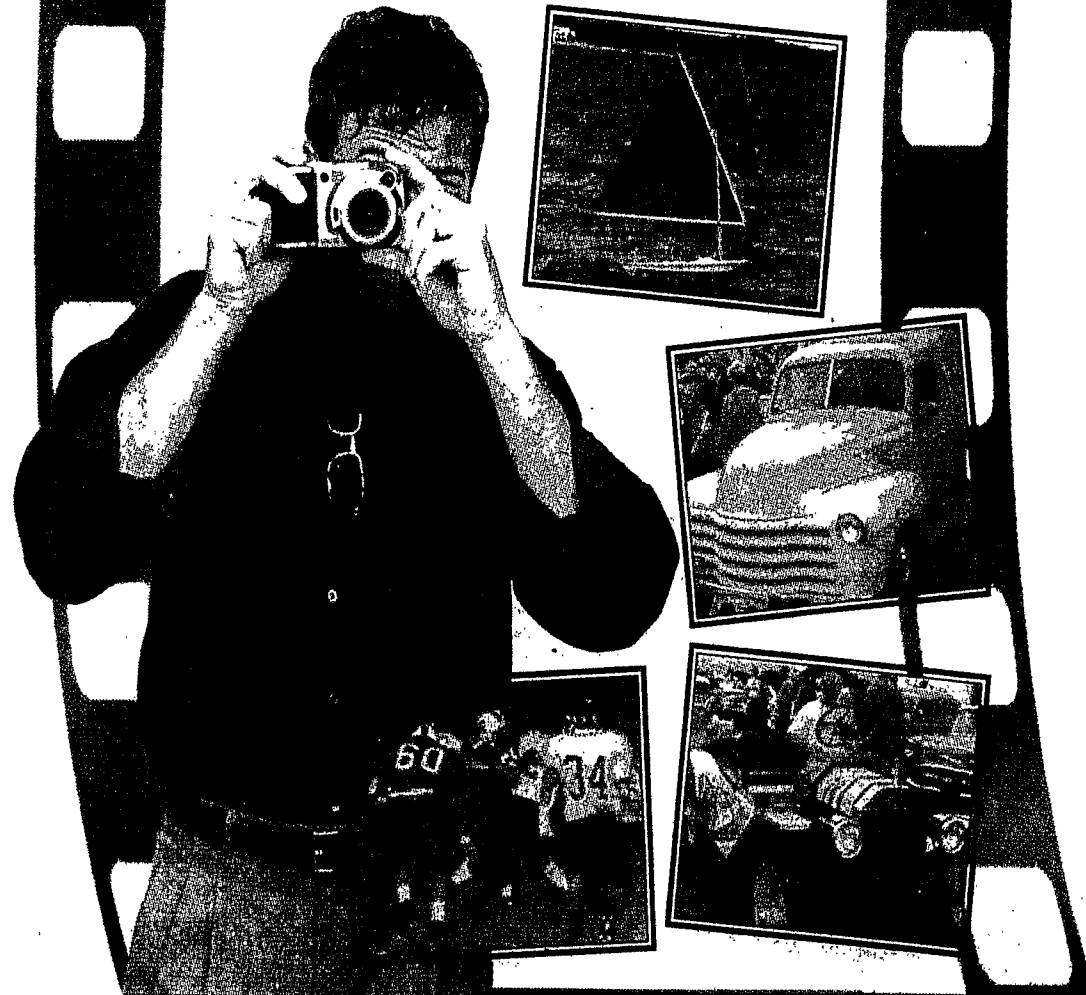
March 28 as space will be limited to 15 attendees. Members' children, \$1; non-members \$3.

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